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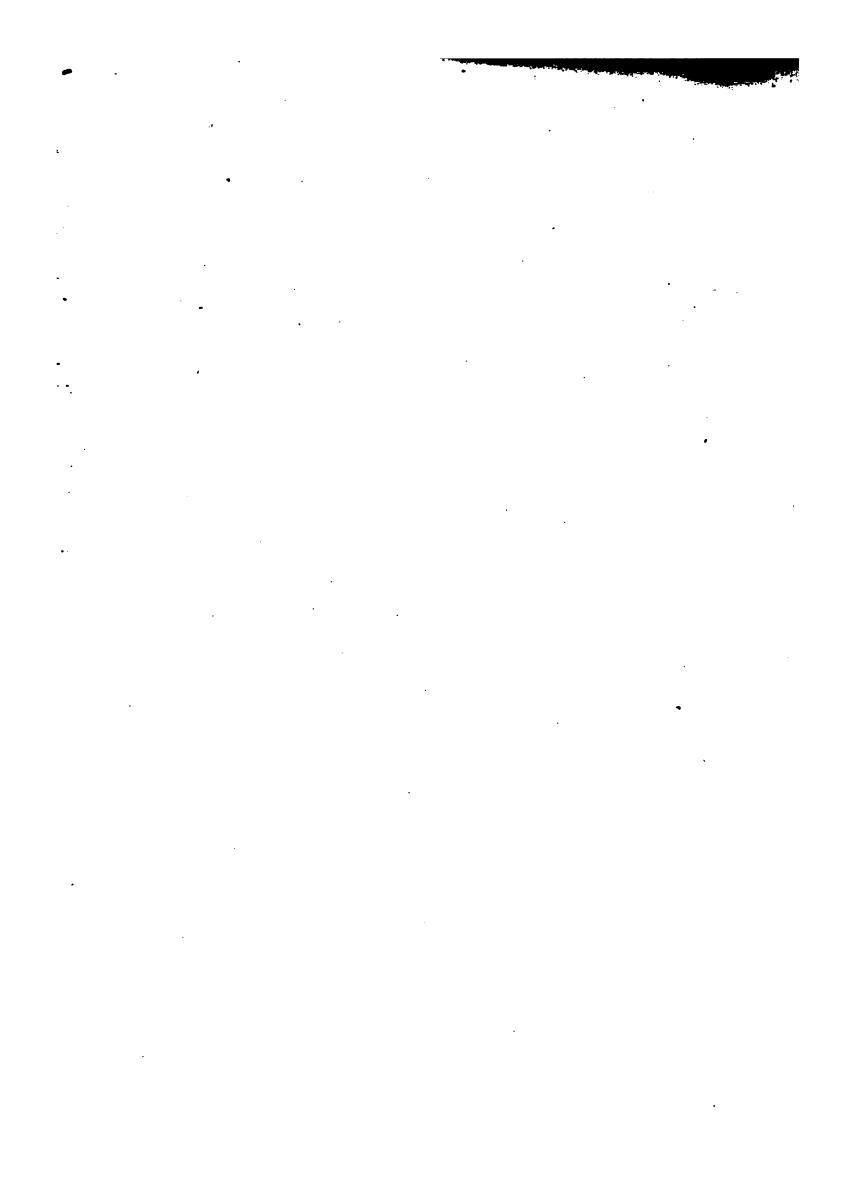
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PROLOGUS.

Excellentia Anglorum, Gallorum, Italorum, Hispanorum et Germanorum Vatum magna est. Sed Latinum Carmen possidet elegantiam, barmoniam, et correctionem, quae in illis desiciunt: versus autem moderni dependent a rhythmis. Non opus est exponere argumentum contra modernos, auribus semper povorovia gravatis; dum antiqui Vates occupant lectures variis sanis in mensura nobiliore, et barmonia sublimiore. Ad prosam bene scribendam debemus Poësin consulere. Gracca et Latina linguae optime intellectae sunt in Anglia, et dant elegantiam animo. Nam Vates Graeci et Latini l'abuerunt elevatissima et ardentissima ingenia.

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Dives agris, sylvis, piscosis dives et undis Et gregibus dives, supereminet insula Seland.



Nunquam Phoebeas ignavia crassa coronas Obtinuit, magni dubio terrore triumphi Non instant, fatum cujus constantia vincit,. Et solvunt longos Alcidea facta labores,

5. Huic Diadema dandum.

Virtus firmatur terris nec legibus ullis, Gaudet et alterna diversus sensus arena. Urbes et mores multos visebat Ulysses, Evincensque malum per tot discrimina rerum

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- Anglia me firmat, validum tenet illa Leonem,
 Gallia dat charites, atque aurea lilia splendent,
 Romanis aquilis strepitu resonante cohortor.
 Illustris Medicus dignusque Machaonis arte,
- Pandit ad extremos mysteria tota colonos.

 Gustu dissimili Veneres depinxit Apelles,

 Diversis ipsumque Jovem regionibus aptat.

 Sic spero varios mulcens modulamine versus,
- 20. Romae, Londino, Paridi mea Musa placebit.

 Jam longum tempus solio maestissimus alto
 Ferratis thalamis Saturni sederat hacres.

 Rapta tenebroso plangens Proserpina lecto,
 (Înfelix princeps talis male nupta mariti)
- 25. Horrendam noctem stygias demiserat umbras.

 Exuerant claro paulatim sydera coelo,

 Et Venus aethereum nutu revocaverat astrum.

Tunc

Tunc Dea formosi prima et gratissima mane Aurora, immensum radiis decoravit Olympum.

- Zodiaci, magnos quo cingit Zona Gemellos.
 Solvuntur calidis dum frigida nubila in auris,
 Plena dies patefecit opus mirabile mundi.
 Jamque relinquenda lente discedimus urbe
- Planaque Schleswiacis bene cultivata colonis.

 Nec mora, volvivagum longe conspeximus aequor;

 Balthici, et Holsteinae confinia lata recedunt.

 Parva ratis, similisque tuae, Dea Cynthia! conchae
- 40. Auxilium praebet; spumantia marmora Beltae
 Findimus, aequorea raptim stetimusque Fiona.
 Rusticus hic madidam disjungens vomere glebam
 Spargit sructifero semen violentus in agro
 Mensibus in Maiis, dum Martis mense Britanni
- 45. Agricolae duro finem imposuere labori.

Assen, Oldensee, Nuborg, Fionâque relictis
Navis adest, aliam Beltae trajecimus undam.
Fluctibus his gelidi posuit fundamina Sceptri
Rex Sciold, meritis magno cum rege Canuto

- 50. Aethere translatus, quorumque invisa potestas Clausa tenet liquidi Neptunia littora Sondi, Et sert abruptus nunc Danica vincula pontus. Dives agris, sylvis, piscosis dives et undis Et gregibus dives, supereminet insula Seland.
- Floruit et spissis infelix Troja theatris;
 Sed periit Thebe, clarae periere Mycaenae,
 Trojaque barbaricis jacet undique spreta colonis.
 Sic cecidit pretiosa Tyros, suit inclyta quondam
- 60. Urbs Babylon, sed quo fuerit, vix rudera narrent.

 Discite nunc turres elatae, urbesque superbae,

 Quam venit excelsis volucris destructio rebus!

 Oppidum erat pulchrum Roschild, et mercibus aptum,

Atque

Arque potens auro, multis domibusque celebre:

65. Nunc muros fragiles, et lignea tecta recondit.

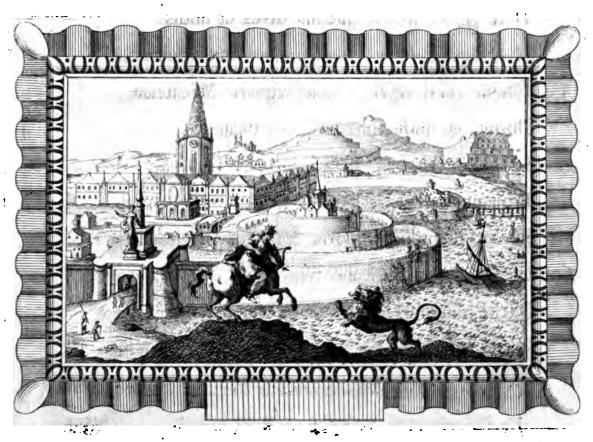
Sed tamen ossa tenet vastis regalia Tombis,

Et sanctos Manes, monumentaque marmora Regum

Danorum, variis resplendet et urna metallis.

Finitum est caeptum, non longe gloria Dani

70. Eminet Arctoo formosa Coagia ponto.

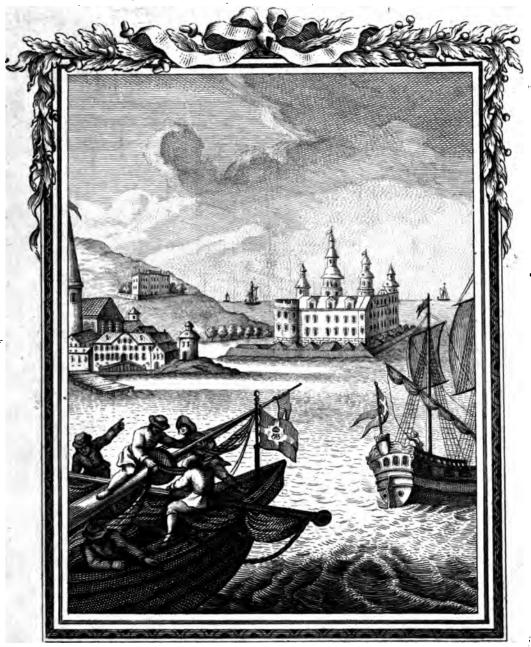




Hafnia et intrepidûm Danorum Templa relicta,
Elsiner adgreditur borealis janitor undae.
Illic, ut perhibent, venerandi Patris imago
Visa fuit nutuque suo perterruit Hamlet.
5. His quoque finitimis, referunt, crudeliter hortis
Toxica pertaeso dedit uxor adultera sponso.
Hamletis ossa tegunt sat bella palatia regis,

Cum gratis virides commixtis floribus herbae, Et sceleris tanti vestigia nulla supersunt.

Turca-



Illic, ut perhibent, venerandi patris imago Visa fuit, nutuque suo perterruit Hamlet.

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- Turcarum dum Mars ad flumina concitus Hebri
 Millia belligerûm praeceps in Tartara mittit,
 Et Bellona feras temeraria concutit alas,
 Primaque Dardaniis classem transmittit in undis:
 En furiosa cohors, jugulatis undique Grajis,
- 15. Ardentes taedas spoliatam vertit in urbem;
 Candida Relligio, sacros violata capillos,
 Invocat heu frustra Superos, nec tempore nostro
 Damna usquam miseri tulerant graviora coloni:
 Tutius in placidos Suecorum tendimus agros.
- 20. Altè montanûm fylvosa cacumina miror,
 Et nudas rupes, speluncas antraque magna.
 Est via saxosis late sirmissima terris,
 Compostat populus permixto cortice panem.
 Juniper atque ilex, et myrtus, altaque pinus
- 25. Et cyparyssus olet immensis ardua sylvis.

 Incubat oblongos umbratica gleba colubros,

 Contigit at nulli sonitum sentire frementem

Quem

Quem movet herboso dirus basiliscus ab antro.

Partibus his totis nummorum copia non est,

- 30. Usurpant chartas, quadrataque fragmina cupri.
 Vomeris hic et cessit amor, ferrumque nefandum,
 Et cuprum tundunt vasta fornace recoctum.
 Colligit expressas hic mimquam conditor uvas,
 Pampinus aut viridis colles distinguit amoenos,
- 35. Nec dulcis cultâ propendet ab arbore fructus.

 Sueco concedir vitiis luxuque carenti

 Corporis arque animi firmum natura vigorem.

 Est locus extremis terrae relevatus in oris,

 Tornea, qua ante oculos Sol fulget nocte dieque,
- 40. Et quando Hesperias paulo discedit ad undas,
 Protinus opposito surgens visendus Eoo est.
 Illic convexi spectatur janua mundi,
 Asperaque essus fulgentia littora serro;
 At cum depositi glacialia membra December,

45. Marmora, campi, sylvae atris aquilonibus horrent.

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Est locus extremis terræ relevatus in oris Tornea.

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Tum sine luce dies terras, hominumque labores

- Associated and the second and the se
- 50. Hic quoque sunt Veneris munuscula grata timenda,
 Aequat et Auroram Septentrio sortis amore,
 Nam ludunt gelido calidissimae in aequore Nymphae.
 Ridet divus Amor meditato dante veneno,
 Heu male divus Amor! hominum suprema voluptas,
- 55. Absinthî succos dulcedine miscet amari,
 Et lacerat spinis juvenilia corda cruentis.
 Nigrae hyemis pecudes mutantur flatibus albas,
 Er circum villas ululant ursaeque lupique.
 Saepe solent mactare greges oviumque boumque,
- 60. Pastoresque ipsos, celerem lacerantque caballum.

 Temporibus istis stricto mucrone viator

Heu male sub gelido deducerer aethere noctem.

Stat circumsnso Suecorum gloria ponto

Holmia, et extructae latis sunt montibus aedes.

- 65. Vastus Gustavi gladius servatur Adolphi,
 Estigiesque minax ingentia porrigit arma.
 Bis sexti Caroli numerosa trophaea supersunt,
 Vidimus et manicas, vestem, chlamydemque cruentam;
 Quique modo victor totum tremesecerat orbem,
- 70. Extingvunt pauci lethalia pondera plumbi,
 Spiritus infernis rapidè cadit obrutus umbris,
 Ut grave turbatà descendit corpus in undà:
 Castaque marmoreo posuerunt ossa sepulchro.
 Respice victores sumanti sanguine tinctos,
- 75. Quid valuere decus, quid gloria maxima, quando Lethi terribilis gelidus tremor occupat artus?

 Barbara persequitur nos undique gurgite diro Mors, ceu laniferas formidanda Hydra catervas.

 Auro vir Macedo portas patefecit ahenas

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Et ludunt calidæ gelidissimo in equore nymphæ.

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- 80. Diruit et donis contraria regna superbis.

 Semper Alexandrum velox fortuna secuta est,

 Solis ad occasium migrabat solis ad ortum

 Agmina, et extremos conspexit Maurus Achivos.

 Ambo selices, sinerent si fata, sed ambos
- 85. Abstulit atra dies, et sunere mersit acerbo

 Quid tentat dubium bellatrix turba periclum?

 Sunt acies, classes, humanaque corpora prompta

 Partibus oppositis, metus hinc terrorque pavorque,

 Frigidus ut serpens pugnantum corda veneno
- 90. Inferpit vapido, dant solaque fata triumphum. Haud secus infandos turba damnante ministros Atrox mortiferum reboat vindicta dolorem. Infani cives patriae per viscera vadunt, Tendit et ad certam discordia caeca ruinam.
- 95. Natura unam aperit Pario de marmore portam

 Terrigenis, nos mille viis properamus Avernum,

 Saeculaque innumera, ut rapidissima flumina volvunt.

Upsala scribentem antiquos celebrata per annos Me tenet, et certe divino carmine digna 100. Upsala; quae cunctis cecinit, nunc ipsa canenda est Transit magnarum subito, ceu Lilia, rerum Gloria, et in mundo nihil est durabile nostro. Omnia labuntur, sed non periturus in annos Est globus immensos, mutatio nulla videtur 105. Igne, nec aere, vel terra, fluidove profundo. Ni Deus omnipotens funestum destruat orbem, Idem semper erit, quod et est nunc, et suit ante. Si natura suo foret ipsa solubilis aevo, Inciperet claras paulatim perdere flammas IIC Sol, fensim ante oculos decresceret ipsa rotunda Luna suae sphaerae, solitas non campus et herbas Porrigeret, notam pontusve lavaret arenam. Upfala, quae quondam borealis gloria regni Littora Bothniaci regnabat longa profundi; 115. Nunc viget ingeniis felix Academia magnis,

Omni



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Omnibus in studiis dum sedula nutrit alumnos. Quam peteret patriam, vel quos Sapientia portus? Invenit heu nusquam tutos: Scelus undique regnat. Mersa per invidiam virtus ploratur Athenis, 120. Doctus Aristoteles fugit, atque venena sagacem Actaeum perimunt, alta Carthaginis arce Hostes et cives discordia dira repellit, Nec locus inveniendus adest, qui ferre sagacem Quosve queat sapiens mores perferre malignos. 125. Ergo fulmineis reboantia marmora ventis, Nec nos nocturnus fylvarum terruit horror: Quaerimus et libros, Doctorum grata caterva est. Vos mihi Pierides et in otia digna juvetis. Dum Pater astripotens animam tellure remotam 130. Transferat aeterni ad divina palatia mundi. Vilis erat natura suis submersa tenebris, Aeternâque dolens sapientia nocte jacebat. Prodidit obscuro Linneus, sapiensque sagaci

Lustravit Sophiâ, totumque laboribus orbem.

135.Intravi thalamos trepidantibus ecce camaenis
O Linnee! tuos, mitto exiguosque labores
Lucreto, Tu parce precor, quos Upsale versus
Inter cunctantes scripsi, Venerande, Magistros.
Sit celeber Suecorum * flos, et piscis, et ales,

- 140. Sit celeber densis et Suecica Fauna sub umbris.

 Plaudite coclicolae! spatiosum pandite templum!

 Jupiter aethereus sulgentibus intulit astris

 Linnei sydus nitidum, propriumque sacravit.

 Ingenii metuo vibrantia sulmina tanti,
- Adípice me quatuor referentem carmine vano
 Temperies hominum, signatas ordine Phoebi.
 Bacchus amat roseum persuso sanguine labrum,
 Myrtillasque Venus connectit grata coronas.

 150.Bilis acerba, renax, operosas expolit artes,

* vide Opera Linnej.

Vulnificumque rapit ferrum, funem, atque venenum.

Phlegma movet terras rigido cum pondere aratro,

Insidiasque avibus tendit, piscemque capessit.

- Armisonansque ferox quassatis turma pharetris.

 Quid tibi Lappones, Fennones orbe remotos

 Commemorem, vel flavum enormi corpore Gothum?

 Non inter Lappos auro splendente theatra,
- Invidiam urgent, dirasque in certamina gentes.

 Nec facienda jubentes, nec vitanda negantes

 Leges conservant stolidas, rostrumque severum.

 Alpibus et sylvis habitant, non Orpheus ipse
- Immemores famae, nec fas aut jura colebant,
 Nec superos; gelidi fulgorem solis adorant.
 Despiciunt validi dum concava cornua tauri,
 Pascunt perceleres ramoso vertice cervos,

170.Et pastoralem ducunt sine crimine vitam, Defuit utque aurum, tunc aurea saecla fuerunt. Quot mala, quot culpas flavo splendore metallum Addidit, injuriis semper nova pabula praebens! Vixerunt homines sine te, scelerate! beati, 175.Sed damnas magico mortalia facta veneno. Ut volucris cantans, placidoque sub aethere pendens, Quando oritur tempestas, si persistere contra Tentat, vi venti rapitur, sequiturque procellam: Sic frustra opponunt homines decreta sororum, 180. Et trahit aeterno velox fortuna tumultu Nunc huc, nunc illuc mala non numeranda ferentes. Debilis incedo rapidi fera murmura ponti, Undique barbaricas quo surgunt saxa per oras. Dirae spumosâ rupes celantur ab undâ, 185. Et ruit in variis incautus rector arenis. Fluctibus ac tandem fessis, ventoque remisso, Alluor indomiti sanctissima moenia Petri.

Quadru-



Herculis haud satis est geminas transse columnas,
Turcarum Imperium, nec non Aegypton, et Argos:
Me vocat intrepidae nunc Russia laeta Zarinae,
Immensi cujus pars nondum cognita regni
Sinarum calidos pictorum tendit in agros;
Altera pars Finland, et Suecica littora dextro,
Et validos Polos, et Turcica Tartara tangens
Per Mare Caspiacum Persae descendit ad oras:
Denique per campos glaciatos frigore sceptrum

- 10. Tendit ad extremi gelidissima moenia mundi.

 Quinque patet notis Russorum pagina saeclis:

 Nascens, divisum, oppressum, victoriser, atque
 Florilegum; quorum regalia sceptra tenebant
 Rourikus, Swotapolk, George, Ivan Wasile, Petrus.
- Vicerunt: Magnus l'etrus tandem ipse creator
 Erigit excelsam praeclaris aedibus urbem.
 Templa deauratis spiculant adaperta trophaeis,
 Graecorum jussu revocantur Principis artes.
- Vexillum toto volvens et in ordine Baltho.

 Peterhof advenimus. densis circumdata sylvis,

 Prospectat Finni spatium admirabile ponti,

 Praebens Russiaco formosa palatia Zaro.
- 25. Illic magnificis exercent lusibus undae,
 Aut derepta cadit praeceps spumosa vorago,
 Altisonans fractis fervens cataracta cavernis;

Aut fons irruptis altè supereminet undis, Pendet et in se se, attollens sine fine ruinas.

- 30. Colludunt resonante diu Tritone canoro
 Naiades aequoreae: Venus aurea, monstraque multa
 Collectos pellunt imo de gurgite sluctus.
 Nunc aurata domus firmis constructa columnis,
 Accipit intrantes varios, Regumque Ministros.
- 35. Musica grata sonat; votis Catharina secundis
 Incedit lentè, magnà comitante catervà
 Nobilium. Coelò radiantibus undique stellis
 Luna refulgens tali majestate triumphat.
 Caerula vitta suit, splendens adamantis et astrum
- Vestis, pendebant adamantina vincula collo.

 Regni splendentes vasti manibusque comisque.

 Divitias CATHARINA tulit, cultumque decorum.

 Jam circumstantes blando sermone profatur,
- 45. Marmoreâque manu dare basia grata licebat.

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Musica grata sonat votis Catharina secundis Incedit.

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Jamque expectatis oculis diadema sequentes

Legati proceres mellistua verba parabant.

Moenia percusso resplendent alta metallo

Commixtis speculis, laqueataque tecta resulgent.

- 50. Turba puellarum gemmis ornata superbis,
 Et juvenes, multô contextis vestibus aurô,
 Concutiunt nitidam pedibus pulsantibus aulam.
 Nobilis accedit, verbis dixitque politis:
 In hanc picturam peregrinos vertite ocellos,
- Fertur equô, virides induto corpore pannos.

 Ensem districtum retinet sua dextera, vultus
 Aspice perpulchros! sparsis in terga capillis.

 Exornant placidam radiantia lumina frontem,
- 60. Ora patent blandè tenerûm perplena rofarum.

 Profpera Russiacis oriuntur tempora regnis,

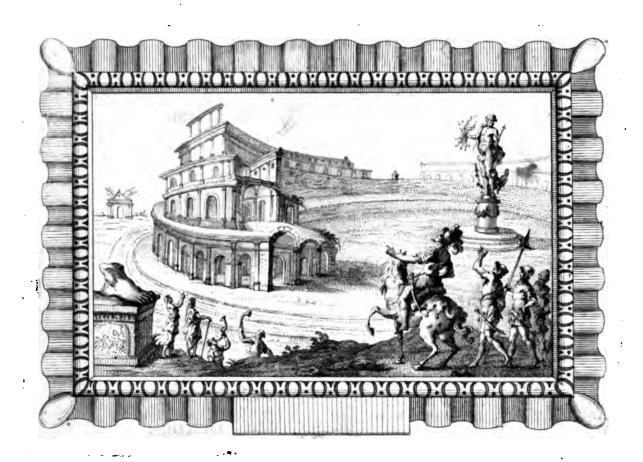
 Longaque sit Dominae felix fortuna benignae!

 Finierat Primas.

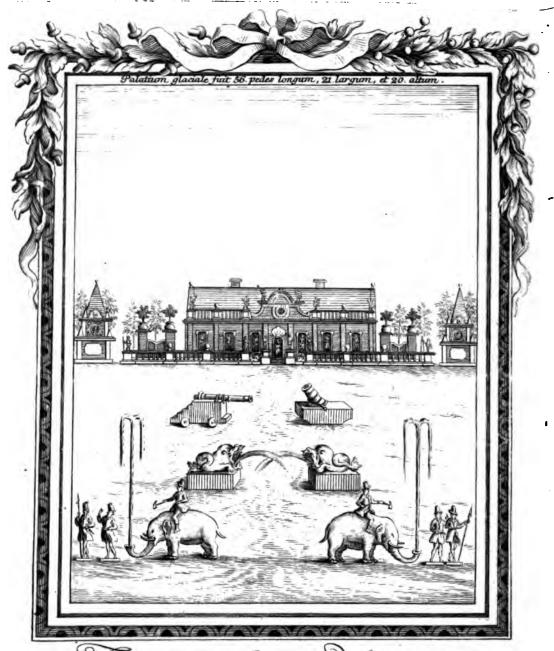
Musarum lepidis fragrantia labra camoenis

Plaudite conceptis! et tu mihi carus Apollo

Adnue; Magnum opus est Tantam cecinisse Monarcham.



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Flumine concreto formant grandes elephantos.



Nunc repeto cursum, faveat Russanus Apollo!
Et vos Pierides! mulcentur carmine curae.
Aurea concordes sonuei unt fila sorores,
Divinisque capax impletur vocibus aether.
Hic Catharina immortali regnante. Draco

5. Hic Catharina immortali regnante, Draconis Horrendae leges sitibundae sanguinis absunt.
Cur heu perverso numquam, instissime, mundo Exsurgis, Divine Solon! moresque reformas;
Undique sucatis tremit horrida terra scelestis.

Orbe

- Orbe fere totô confessio rapta ministrat
 Criminis indicium: nam vera ac falsa loquuntur
 Scilicet ad poenas solvendas excruciati.
 Quid memorem celebris tormenta nefanda Philotae,
 Pellaei Juvenis? furibundo victima justu,
- Damnatos nigram vel quos Acherontis ad undam Carnifices mittunt gladiô? Spectacula vidi, Moestaque barbarico fremuerunt pectora facto.

 Lictor forte caput resecat promptissimus ichu,
- 20. Ossaque propulsus dum transit, sibilat ensis.

 Ille caput tendit plebi. Execrabile monstrum

 Nunc venit, horresco: salientes sanguine venas

 Intentis manibus delirans virgo petebat,

 Et bibit humanum, populo indignante, cruorem.
- 25. (Artibus est tantum Circaeis vincta cupido!)

 Tunc ululant matres, pueri, miseraeque puellae, Artibus est extremos dum cantat turba dolores.

Si

Si fuerit regio, quâ Sarmata justa Zamolxis Nunc regnant, quâ bacchatur Rhadamanthus et orbus

- 30. Astuto vapidam servans sub pectore vulpem,

 Lectus ob hoc judex atrox: quis crederet unquam

 Stultitias nostrô tales subsistere saeclô?

 Hic miser, acceptis solidis, indagine cingi

 Sentiret civis, donisque ingentibus emptus
- 35. Occluderetur tenebrosô carceris antrô.

 Nec minus hic insons, corruptô judice, poenam

 Sufferret diram, funestâ sorte piatus

 Dedecus illatum, perjurae victima linguae:

 Horrida signa dabunt rabidis erroribus aevi.
- Persequi et adversos ferrô turbare Penates.

 Conjugii stabilis nec cuiquam displicet ordo,

 Sed tamen aeterni non cunctis convenit ardor.

 Puncto praesenti certe statuisse futurum
- 45. Difficile est; tantum fert Justinianus honorem,

Et quia nunc cupio sibi dicere: Semper amabo,
Ausus erat, nexis onerans adamante catenis
Mortales. nuptis si jurgia mixta querelis,
Atrave perpetuis fugissent nubila ventis;

- 50. Denique conjugio si astutia major inesset,

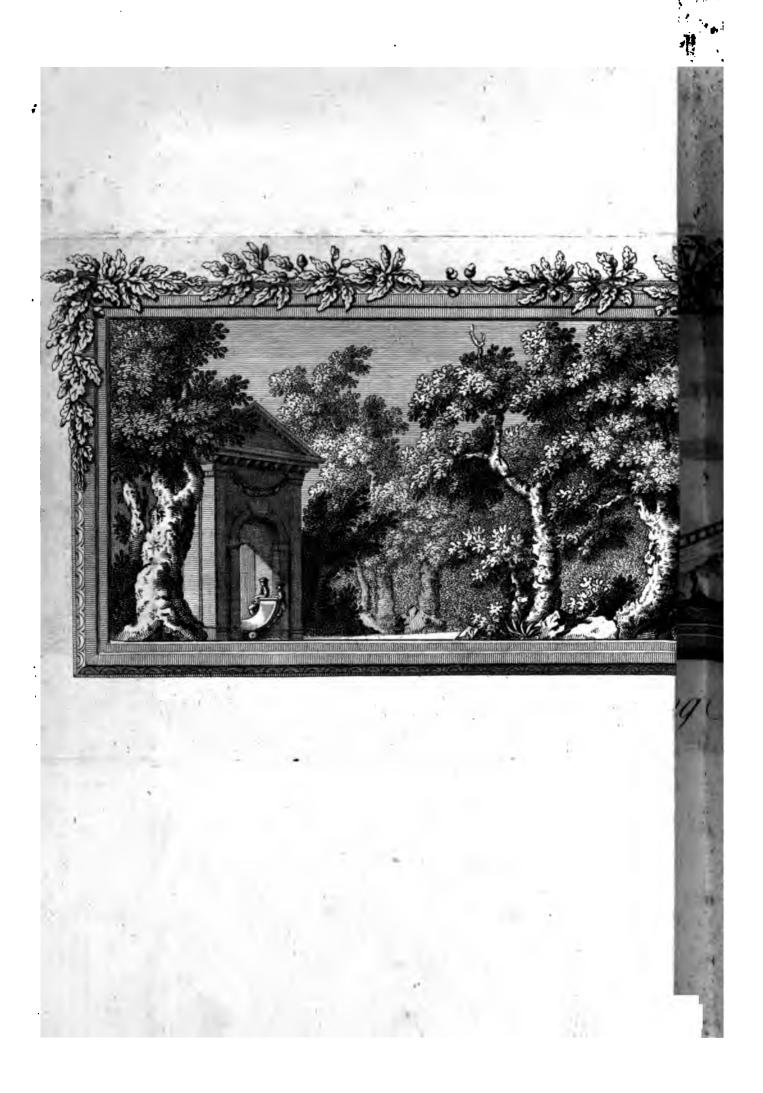
 Lex tua propositam retineret Justine! laudem.

 Haec tamen ambrosiis legalia facta Camoenis

 Non bene conveniunt: suavissima munera gaudent

 Musae, nunc Sarsci referam miracula Scelli.
- 55. Splendida templa patent, regalis pompa triumphat,
 Totus odoratâ thalamus resplendet in ambrâ,
 Aulaque dissus radiat spectantibus aurô.
 Hortus adest magicâ longè celeberrimus arte;
 Ima petit currus, subitoque recurrit in altum,
- 60. Volvitur in praeceps iterum, iterumque refurgit;
 Vis celer exoritar magnis operata ruinis,
 Proruit et lato sonitu, lapsuque propinquo.
 Desicit inde halitus, clauduntur lumina nocle,

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Er gelidos motu convulso corripit artus.

- 65. Quinque per excelsos rapidè petit aethera montes,
 Quinque per infernas decurrit machina valles.
 Attoniti, caeci terram superamus, et undam,
 Perque nemus, thalamosque volatica membra vehuntur.
 Haud procul est lucus magicâ mirandus ab arte.
- 70. Hic dum sublimem stupesactus sertur in arcem Spectator, solio per sese attollitur imo.

 Servus adest nullus, patesactaque gurgite strata

 Pandunt, appositam nitido videt ordine mensam.

 Mixta coloratis adamantina moenia gemmis
- 75. Hic spectat summô demirans Phoebus Olympô.

 Nam prope torrentem glaciata palatia Naevam

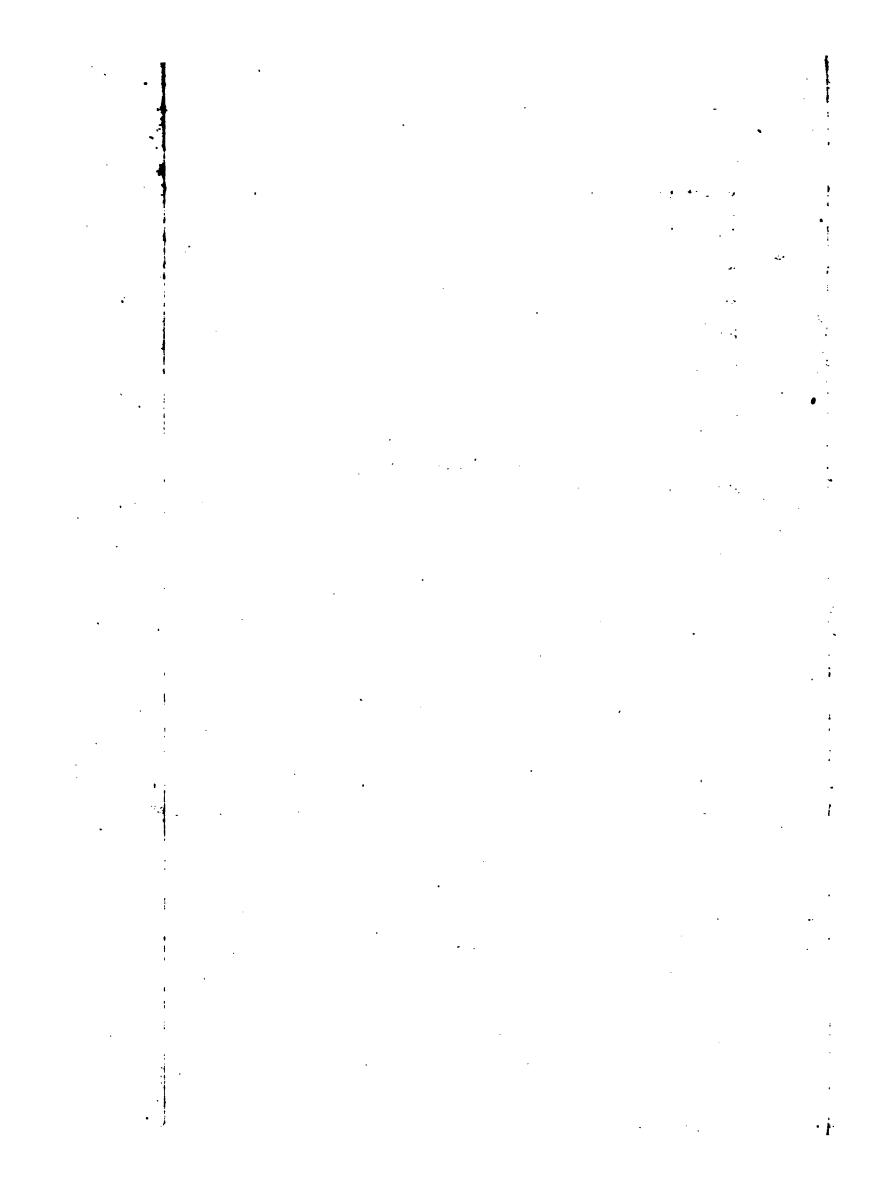
 Constituisse diu referunt memorabile factum.

 Quadratis massis frigens abscinditur unda

 Tempore brumali, magnisque laboribus arcem
- 80. Aedificant, rimas adípersô flumine claudunt.

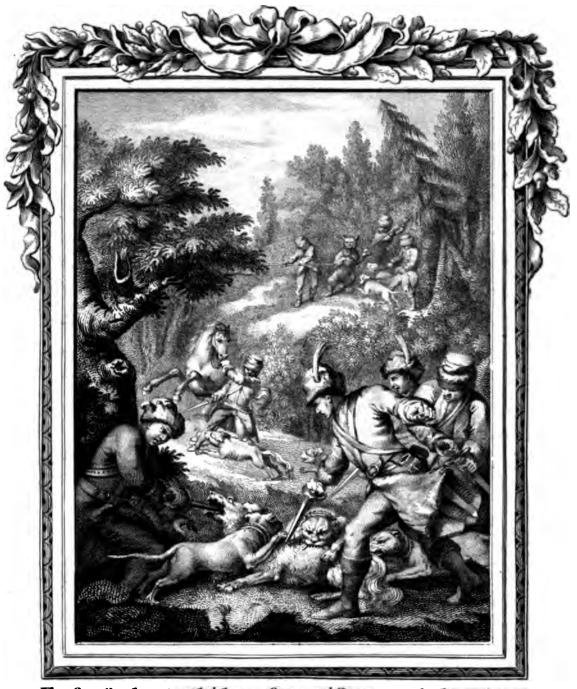
 Intra perlucidos accendunt lumina muros,

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Ense fodant rabidum sanguislua corda luporum.

- 10. Colligit exacto charos in tempore amicos, Ipseque montanûm sylvosa cacumina scandens Urget iter, coelô radiat dum lucifer alto. Salve percelerum pharetratus rector Apollo, Tuque Diana canum! fylvas habitamus opacas
- 15. Livoniae; verlatorum referamus honores. Nubigenum immani de stemmate Centaurorum Chiron erat quondam venandi doctus in arte. Mille puellarum, puerorum mille fagittas to Exacuit, jaculumque dedit cornuque sonandum.
- 20. Arrifere omnes Centauro: Semicaper Pan Hastis instituit positis, et in ordine curvo Ducentes hilares viridi tellure choreas Sylvani, Satyri, Fauni, Nymphaeque Napaeae Amarika Artibus invadent animalia regna cruentis.
- 25. Discipuli Theseus, Telamon, furibundus Achilles, and Cl Et Cephalus Diva raptus, veloxque Atalantia Archilochusque pius mortem pro patre peremptus;

Castus

Castus et Hyppolitus tecum Meleagre fuerunt.
Sanguineus Diomedes, et versutus Ulysses,

- Plaudite venantes! sequitur victoria curam,

 Et sedet in summo venantum Divus Olympo.

 Sylva sonat longè catulis latrantibus, ardens
 En sonipes tremulat praecognita odore ferarum.
- Turba canum ruit, in densos penetratque recessus.

 Undique concursus hominum est, petit aethera clangor.

 Configunt alii jaçulis agitantibus ursas

 Horrendas, alii passu propiore sequentes
- 40. Ense cavant rabidûm sanguistua corda luporum.

 Ursa venatori nec fera saevior ulla est;

 Comprimit amplexu suribundi pectoris hostes,

 Dentibus evellit desperans bellua acutis,

 Ruptaque sanguineô transsigit viscera campô:
- 45. Vitat trifle lupus pugnam, catulique trementem

Extemplo lacerant, ululantes undique matres

Nocte super media per sylvas funera plangunt.

Nec minus hic studiis venantum Luna secundat:

Mollia nocturni lepores dum pabula carpunt,

- Vincula, et effosum male claudit frondibus antrum.

 Hic piscosa palus tranquillo panditur ore:

 Languida res forti est, tremulo contendere pisce,

 Stagnantive lacu fluitantia ducere lina.
- 55. Lynx placet intrepido; timido genus omne volucrum,
 Effugit et lynces, pavidas sequiturque columbas.
 Regia montanus venatu est victima gallus,
 Rarior accessi nisi cum flagraret amore.
 Insidens ramo praeclusis cantat ocellis:
- 60. Fulminat incautum juvenis, miserumque cadentem,
 Omne nemus resonat perruptis pondere ramis,
 Reddit Livonico crudelia sessa tyranno.
 Horrendas epulas, heu! corpora digna sepulchris

Vesci-

Vescimur; Intra homines clementia nulla relicta est.

- 65. Memel per portus intramus regna Borussi,
 Praebuit ingressus multum laudanda Konigsberg,
 Turrigerisque potens Danzig circumdata vallis.
 Desperabundi servant castella Poloni,
 Jactat et intactà munimen virginitate.
- 7º Tutius imbellem est aliquid concedere Atlanti,
 Quam satô, arque armis caram subvertere pacem.
 Urbibus his intra tumulatas littus arenas
 Continet, expostus peregrinus mille periclis
 Procedit, dumque incauti nos nocte per aequor
- 75. Tendimus, extemplo spissa caligine nubes

 Sydera convolvunt, reboant coelestia templa

 Fulmine, turbatae franguntur rupibus undae.

 Hospita respicimus sero tua testa, quietus

 Agricola! horrendô circumdatus undique pontô
- 80. Nescit eques cursus, anceps auriga malorum

 Perditus est spatio, vesanis vocibus auras

Frusta

Frusta impellens, vires ingeminantque caballi
Percussi. Tandem ventosam vincimus undam.
Amplius extensum monstrat mihi carmine dignum.

- Portas ante ipías fulgentes aere Gigantes

 Et vidi et stupui, subito dum murmure sessos

 Audax praesectus circumdat milite currus.

 Jo triumphe! sonabant, vita et sanguine nostro
- 90. Victoriam dabimus Divini Principis armis.

 Tum redeunt animis ingentia Caesaris acta

 FREDRICIS invicti. Heroem sustollere tantum

 Desicit ars, animaeque cadunt, ni Victor Apollo

 Admovet auxilium summos celebrare triumphos.
- 95. Dî maris et terrae! Divi noctesque diesque Volventes ruptô flagrantia fulmina coelô, Raucô terrentes mortalia corda tonitru!

 Quique sedent nitidis lună splendente sub affris, Atque viam carpunt celeri per nubila pennă,

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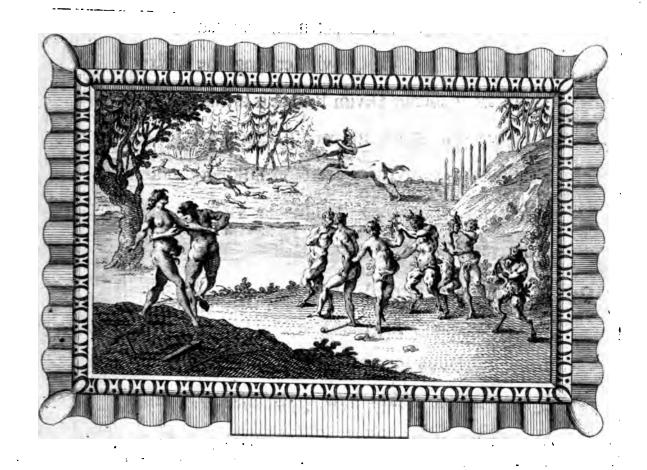
Vos ego conjuro! auscultate precamina nostra.

Spargite confusim vanis terroribus hostes

Anglorum! impavidis, Pia Numina! civibus atrum

Tollite dissensum, et dum libera jura reclamat

Anglia, praeservent faustissima recta beatam.



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EPISTOLAE

URBANITATIS CAUSA SCRIPTAE INTER F* B E T *C* L*

A D ORIGINEM HUJUS OPERIS SPECTANTES.

Vir longè Sapientissime,

Si omnes, sicut ego, cogitarent, non solummodo capsulas aureas, sed maximos honores et emolumenta pro Te darent. Felix qui Te audit, et est ter selix patria, quae te possedit. Res abditae, quas non scripsssti ex timore coecae malignitatis humanae, plus valent quam thesauri Scientiarum Tuarum, quos summa consideratione perlegam, et Te inter celeberrimos Philosophos in aethere locabo. F. B.

Holmiae, die 16. Jun. 1769.

I. C. de, B. S. D. C. L.

Uti in te, Illustrissime Domine Comes, praesente miratus sum, summam sapientiam posse nasci in viro opulento, ita et nunc magnanimitatem Tuam: dum projicis aurea dona vilissimis homuncionibus, qualis ego sum. Mehercle cana prius gelido desint absynthia campo, quam Tui immemor vivam. Incede viam Tibi soli perviam, dum ego legam suave manuum Tuarum opus. Upsaliae Junii die 18. 1769.

Petropoli die 18. Julii. 1769.

Amicissime L.

Magnum plane gaudium littera a Te Holmia rescripta mihi praebuit. Cognosco alios melius, quam me ipsum. Si aliquid boni in me invenisti, Tua benevolentissima anima et longissima Sapientia me minime latuerunt. Accipe nunc versiculos inclusos, et si paulum placent Tibi, aliquid perfeci. Rogo veniam imperfectioni meorum operum itinere compositorum, quoniam facile, momento tranquillitatis, corrigi potuerunt.

Maneo summo cum respectu, et cum veneratione aeterna Tuus amicus obsequentissimus et humillimus servus. F. B.

Illustrissimo Comiti, de B. S. P. D.

C. a L.

Quod tam cito attigisti oras Ruthenicas, Tibi Illustr. Comes animitus gratulor; quod vero mei homuncionis non oblitus es, mihi pleno gaudio gratulor.

Pro continuatione carminum Tuorum de itineris progressul grates reddo devotissimas. Video, quam Tu non sis sactus sed natus Poëta. Dum Virgilius describit Meteu vicotiv seu animarum transmigrationem, de se dicit: Olim Achilles eram. Sic Tu dicere possis: olim Virgilius eram. Audivi multa de Imperatricis magnisicentia; nullus tamen Eam magis Te vividè delineavit. Legi jam

bis opus Tuum de itinere orientali, idque summo cum oblectamento. Polles eå Sapientià, quà potes paucis verbis magis vividè delineare argumentum, quam alii dissussimo sermone. Sequor Te votis meis, Teque tamquam coram me sisto, quoties intueor donum Tuum, pretiosissimum omnium, quod ab ullo in vita accepi -- Sint Tibi sata prospera. Upsalià; 1769. 15. Aug.

Vir longè Sapientissime,

Litteras Tuas hic summo gaudio recepi; nam quotidie utilitatem Tuorum librorum percipio.

Praeparatum opusculum mitto, quod si non ingratum erit, Socrati pro aeterna memoria meae affectionis Tibi dedicare propono. Poëta sum per accidens, non per me. Poësin solum per elegantiam, et ad prosam bene scribendam studui. Virgilium minime me existimo: hic vates coelestis ingenii viginti annorum laboribus divinum, et immensum opus praeparavit, et, si Linneum perlegisset, errores ejus physicos non deploraremus. Amici Tui cognomine interrogatus, non me Σοφον, sed Φιλοσοφον vocabis. Annô vigesimô aetatis labor et desiderium suit vera ex salsis, necessaria ex non necessariis, possibilia non possibilibus, bona malis discernere: et ad hoc periculosissimum opus, subito percepi, quod multà doctrinà in physicis, et in moralibus, ex-

perientia veritate mixta, magna cum prudentia indigerem. Pertotam Europam iter feci. Ex lectura septem linguarum scientiae chaos abstraxi. Sors addidit experientiam, in omnibus multo contrariam, sed carissimam. Libertatem veram, et homini ne cessariam excolui. Nam gentes multae vocantur liberae, sed longè distant. Libertas humana oppressa est inutilibus ponderie bus. Leges impossibiles, et vanae opiniones nec Diis, nec Principibus, nec populis profunt; mechercle autem producunt miseriam maxi-1 mam. Coarcti, et concentrati homines nihil grande efficient. Aspice arbores pulcherrimas. Ramorum luxuries umbram praebet. et gaudemus, donec hyems funestà clade folia discutit. Omnia igitur praejudica subject pedibus, er, si Dens prolongat atomi meae tempora, ad editionem tanti operis necessaria, spero me aliquid substantivum humuno generi profuturum esse : sienon; (ut-Poëta dicit) in magnis voluisse sat est. Debemus veritatem quaerere; sed ut illam inveniamus, non est exigendum. Maneo summo cum respectu, et amicitià Tuus F. B. Dresdae, 20. die Octobris, 1769.

Viro Immortali de B. S. P.D.

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Accepi aureos tuos Versiculos, Illustr. D. Comes, quibus iter tuum Dresdam usque descripsisti; nec pulchrius legi umquam. Selecta enim verba ita exprimunt purissimos sensus, ac si

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oleó inuncta essent. Lector horum tamquam per passus Te sequitur toto itinere, ita vivis coloribus depingis peragratas regiones. Faxit Deus, ut seliciter absolvas, quae restant itineris, dum me participem reddere non dedigneris satorum Tuorum, scias neminem Te puriore, et majore assectu prosecuturum, neminem puriore gratitudine Te culturum, neminem e tuis litteris majorem voluptatem umquam obtenturum. In Te enim prisca virtus radiat. Tu in summa selicitate non suco, non aurò externè splendes, sed summà sapientià internà sulges. Te sapientiorem certe vidi neminem. Aurea tua carmina legi et relegi millies; quod me his exhilarare voluisti, grates reddo, et reddam, dum vixero, summas. Mihi summa gloria erit, numerari inter Tuos cultores vel insimum. Deus Te servet incolumem. Upsaliae 1769. Novembr. 13.

Augusta Vindelicorum, die 6. Januarii 1770.

Nomen Linnei, sicut Sol, semper exhilarat meum Μακροκοσμον. Tuae litterae, heri hic receptae, mihi verè levamini suerunt; nam prostratus jaceo ex continua agitatione corporis et mentis, nec minus ex moerore cari capitis, qui, ut audivi, nunc vivit in aeternum. Faciebam hodie dedicationem, ne exeam e mundo re infectà; sed vires minimè cum voluntate concordant. Multum auxi opusculum, et stolidissimè precor, ut iterum legas.

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Impensam cursus tantae chartae usque Upsaliam aliquo modo compensare conabor. Obsecto, ut non me Σιφιν, sed Φιλοσιφών velis existimare. Carmina mea et hace quoque vana sunt. Crederem Te esse penitus lassarum humanis sabulis, praecipue poeticis, ita ut ne quidem aurem praebeas: sed cum sis humanissimi ingenii, veniam dabis meis erroribus. Neminem habeo apud me paucô ingeniô et caritate praeditum, qui emendet, vel supprimat ineptias, Latina tentavi pro Te et doctis; Anglica pro patria, et Gallica lingua pro ceteris. Dilacerent, si velint, critici; Appirentus verborum non amplius ero. Homerus, Virgilius, ceterique vates una tantum lingua, et nativa scripserunt: sed si componere voluissent versus et prosum heroicam variis linguis et idiomatis, propria facientes, nullum specimen habemus, quô modô ex ranto laby rintho se eripuissent. Vale, iterumque vale. Adjungo, Te semper a me veneratione summa colendum esle, mortales maneo. F. B.

Illustrissimo Generosissimoque Comiti B* S. P. D. C. a L.

Accepi tuas, Vir Sapientissime, d. 6. januarii Augustae datas, cum inclusis divinis iis Carminibus. Nescio, utrum in his idearum puritas, an etiam verborum pictura praeponderet, ubi ambæ sacratissimo connubió ita junctae sunt, ut simile non

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viderim. Quod autem mihi inscribere velis immortale opus, non capio; vereor magis, ne meo rudi nomine nitidissima Tua Carmina tamquam levi sigura oblinas. Novit nemo me melius debilitatem ingenii propriam et παροραματα mea heu nimis multa: nisi eò velis umbram addere picturae, ut purior exsurgat, tanquam pulcherrima Venus suliginoso Vulcano nupta etiamnum formosior evadit: vel etiam cum sata Tibi soli et concessere satis opum, et simul sapientiam summam, ut non opus habeas shectere genua Regibus; Deos imitaris, qui, cum non habeant pares, beneficia sua conjiciunt in insimos homunciones. Nunc vero, dum video placuisse Tibi, mihi inscribere immortale opus, id effecisti, ut anxia semper mente colam Sapientiam in Te summam. Dabam Upsaliae, 1770. 6. Febr.

Carissime L.

Recepi nuper litteras Tuas elegantissimas, die sexto Februarii Upsaliae datas: Sed me imagnis titulis oneras, qui tamen is sum, cui tam grandia minime conveniant, nec qui hujusmodi mihi arrogare velim, conscius debilitatis, humanitatisque meae. Sed necesse est, ut ego Te venerari non desistam; omnes enim gentes opera Tua laudarunt, neminemque alium Tibi anteferendum putarunt. Et cum sis omnium gratiosissimus, etiam vim nostram poeticam non indignaberis, multo enim et incessante

labore carmina perfeci, tanto (ficut Tu es) ut placerem Viro. Semper mihi visa est barbaries linguarum modernarum, sicut herba parietaria, Poësin magnisicam obduxisse. Linguis hodie storentibus desiciunt succi integri, radices sirmae, luxuriantesve rami, humoque inserpunt. Mitto tibi opus tandem correctum et impressum. Lege, et, si placet, applaude. Nunc autem absunt typi multi, elegantes, qui ex manibus artisicum nondum prodierunt. Hoc opus, pro te praecipue sactum, non scripsi solummodo, sed etiam adornavi. Vale, selicissimèque vive ad annos Nestorios: ego autem epistolam, more poëtico, carmine concludam. F. B.

Sacras, legiferas, doctas fequererne phalanges
Dum dubito, in rifum folvit Apollo lyram.
Qui tentat Sophiam mundo proferre finistro,
Heu miser invidiae dente peremtus erit.
Nil tibi cum tantis; non saecula vana juvabis,
Aptior Aonii suavia ad arma Dei.
Aptior et studiis, nitido caetuque Sophorum
Vates magnanimos, clare Viator! amo.



Illustrissimo Comiti de B* S. P. D. C. L.

Hodie iterum habui honorem Sapientissimi Comitis, d.25. Januarii scriptas accipere; ad mores devotissimum meum responsum dedi ante aliquot dies. Quotidie lego et relego Tua divina Carmina, et quotidie magis magisque intelligo profundissimam Tuam sapientiam. Te non tangat malitia humana: novisti homines esse natura malos, sola cultura et sapientia evadere bonos. Laerare, quod habeas invidiam, et rideas: miser natus est, qui caret invidià. Quo major felicitas, eo major invidia. Tu longe supra invidiam posicus es; Te non attingat. Prosecto, si essem in Tua felicitate, ut Tu, viverem. Quae major felicitas, quam posse vivere, ubicumque placeat, videre orbem et gentes, habere, ut nihil deficiat, omnia? Pro honore, quo me velles cumulare, grates reddo devotissimas. novum hoc esset documentum favoris Tui in me: sed dudum receptus fui non tantum in Societate Regia Londinensi, sed et in Anglicana quae oeconomica curat, et Edinburgensi etiam; sum enim membrum Societatis Londinensis, Anglicanae, Edinburgensis, Parisinae, Monspeliensis, Tolosanae, Florentinae, Bernensis, Cellensis, Berolinensis, Petropolitanae, Holmiensis, Upsaliensis, Naturae curiosorum Nidrosiensis; adeo plurium, quam quibus possum satisfacere.

Tu ne cede malis, Te noverit ultimus lster, Te Boreas gelidus.

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Te feliciorem novi neminem, modo ipse scias. Quid levius homine verba metuente? Luna properat suum cursum, nec latratus canum curat. Tibi plura Dii concessere. O! ter quaterque felix! bona si Tua nôris. Dabam Upsaliae, 1770. d. 16. Februarii.

Vir longe Sapientissime.

Mitto Tibi exemplar pro amicis, et spero post aliquot hebdomadas, ut mittam aliud dignum Bibliotheca Upla-Quod autem attinet ad nostrum laborem, fonte Tuo derivatus est. Si nunquam Linneum vidissem, nihil minus in animo habueram, quam huic me devovere curae, fastidioso et delicazioris palati saeculo. Nunc autem jacta est alea. Spero, quod Critici debilitates nostras in hoc opere magico praeteribunt. Dux parvulae sum catervae. Ars non longa est, sed ignorantia. Medicina in manu artificis debet esse prompta, et parvula. Tu mihi sapientissimè dixisti, quando dederas Σχολιον de genere morborum; non unum verbum nimis inveneris. Et sic est cum Philosophis, expurgant dictis et scriptis humores malos, inutiles, qui claritatera et perspicaciam obscurant. Doctrina hoc tempore vilis ponderis aestimatur; et certus sum quod praesectus Russanus, qui quinque millia Turcarum fugavit, plus celebratur, quam Sapientia ipsa. si in terris invenienda foret.

Hoc mane accepi Tuas 16. Febr. datas. Rogo veniam meo errori; nam Liber unus Tuo nomine infixus hunc induxit, quia nominat Te solummodo Societatis Parisiensis Socium. Optimus es exhortator: (Absic invidia) Nam ineptiae minutalis humi, sicut ego sum, prorsus invidiae sunt indignae. Si quis mihi invidet, is, si meum consilium, rationemque cognôsset, forsitan una et id, quod facio i probaret; sed mehercule non invideret. Eheu me miserum! cur existimas selicem? Deus solus felix est. Gratificationes vitae humanae mille miseriis mixtae sunt: post mortem cadaver indignis vermibus, aut piscibus aequoreis praebet cibum. Homo nihil aliud repraesentat, quam pars miseranda hujus atomi, quam vocamus mundum, ex elementis orta, mox ad ea reversura, ni Divinae Providentiae aliter pro anima nostra visum fuerit. Si spectamus universum, taedet nos et terrae et mundi. Quidquid agunt homines, apparet, fabulam aridis arenis inscrip-Nihilominus est multum placuisse Deo: et est aliquid tam.

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placuisse sapientibus, magnanimis, et bonis. Nam prosperitas societatis humanae non sorte, sed scientia et benevolentia confidenda est.

Maneo summa cum veneratione et amicitia Tuus obsequiosissimus servus F. de B.

OPERIS LATINI AUCTI ET EMENDATI F I N I S.



THE PLEASURES

WRITTEN IN THE YEAR 1769.

PREFACE.

Notwithstanding the excellence of the English, French, Spanish, Italian, and German Poetry, yet there is a firmness, correctness, elegance and harmony in Latin verse, which these other languages are desicient in. Besides without the help of rhyme, modern verse would be very insipid, and how inferior it is to have the ear fatigued with monotones, instead of being entertained with variegated sounds in harmonious measure, wants no explanation. It is absolutely necessary to understand Poetry, to write Prose well. Latin and Greek are no where better learnd than in England, and it gives those, who are acquainted therewith, an elegance of judgement, which the lecture of no other language can; for the Greek and Latin Poets possess a fire and sublimity beyond all others.

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To bim lett the Diadem belong.

A JOURNEY TO ENMARK

The laterel crown is not given to idleness, nor did fear ever obtain a triumph. To him lett the diadem belong, whose constancy has conquered the sates themselves. Virtue is not fixed to any Liws or Country, and different wit belongs to each Nation. The English lion enforces me, the golden lillys of France give grace and beauty, and I am encouraged to begin by the resounding efforts of the Roman eagle.

Ulysses, having travelled and extricated himself from various difficultys, so cultivaded his Mind, that he became worthy of the esteem of his country. An Illustrious Physician, who would be usefull to all Mankind, explains his art to the most distant people. Apelles represented Venus, and even Jupiter him self to the taste of divers countrys. Thus I hope, having wrote in various languages, to please at Rome, at London, and at Paris.

Pluto having lock'd his iron bed chambers, had long fince ascended his tremendeous throne; whilst Proserpine (unhappy in being the Wife of such Husband) reclining on her black couch, had dismissed

borrid night into the infernal shades. The starrs by degrees had retired from the sky, and Venus had recall'd her heautiful planet from the heavens. Next Aurora the sirst and most desiderable of the Goddesses adorn'd Olympus. The Sun appeard in that part of the Zodiac call'd the Twinns. Now the cold clouds were dissipated by the warm air, and full daylight brought to view the wonderfull sabric of this world.

We arose and directed our steps from Hamburg. Soon is we had passed the well cultivated countrys of Holstein and Sies. wick, a little boat resembling the lovely shell of seaborn Venus, assorted us passage thro the frothy Belt, where sarmers plow their sields in May, which work the English countrymen have sinished in March. From hence we saw several Towns before we cross at the great Belt, in whose deep waves, as ancient records tell, King Sciold six d his Scepters sway. Since when, transferr d to Heaven with great Canute, he smiles to see the envied power of his Royal Line keep in obeyance all the Balthic Sea, which pays a tribute to the Lordly Dane. Seland abounds in pleasant hills, in woods, in lakes, in sheep, in villages. Thebes and Mycenae formerly were in bloom and the unhappy Troy slourish'd with crowded theatres. But Thebes and Mycenae are demolish'd and Troy lays buried and dispised on all sides by the Barbarians.

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Thus the famous Citys of Tyre and Babylon are lost, nor is there scarse a ruin to be found to shew where they stood.

Roeskilde, which formerly had fine buildings and an extenfive commerce, is now a poor place. From whence vain Citys
learn, how great a ruin may soon attend exalted fortune. Yett
fill splendid sepulchres full of Royal bones and awfull monuments
remain, well worth the curious Travellers remark. And now
this journeys end it near, Copenhagen appears in sight, the still
far off a cross the distant plain.



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Having lest Copenhagen and the Temples of the warlike Dane, we come to Helfingüer, which place commands the Balthic Sea. Here, as it is said, the awfull Ghost of Hamlet's Father appeard and beckoned to him, and in these neighbouring gardens an adulterous wife poisoned the Husband she was tired of. But there are no remains of this horrid catastrophe: a Royal palace, grass, and flowers cover the bones of Hamlet.

Whilft Mars, being invoked on the banks of the river Heber, precipitates thousands into Tartarus, and the brave Bellena for the first time has sent a Russian fleet into the Mediterranean; behold the surious cohort with barbarous hand murders the Grecians, and destroys their city. Religion violated lyes prostrate, and calls upon Heaven in vain, nor in our times have we heard of a more unfortunate people: It is safer not to wist Sweeden and to admire the woody summits of the mountains, the naked rocks, the caves and caverns. The road is sirm, broad and rocky. The junipers the oak, myrtle, losty pine, and tall cypress expand their odour in these immense woods. Here is no plenty of money; but they use paper and massy lumps of copper. The poor eat black bread mix'd with the bark of trees. Here also ceases the love of plowing, instead of which they pound Iron and copper after having melted them in vast furnaces. The bills are



Linneus brought forth Nature from obscurity.

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Stockholm the Capital of Sweeden, stands with Seas pourd around it, and the bouses are built at large on bills. Here is preserved the vast sword of Gustavus Adolphus, whose heavy armour is scarse moveable. Here are also many trophys of Charles the twelf. We saw his gloves, cloaths, bloody shirt. He who was just before the terror of Europe was extinguished by the satal blow of a small bit of lead. His spirit overwhelmed with the shades of death sunk instantly away like a heavy body which salls in odeep water. His chaste bones are preserved in a marble monument.

Lett us look back on these Conquerors covered with recking gore: What have their greatest glorys availd, when the cold shiver of death has seized them? For barbarous death persues us, like as an enormous Hydra follows the sleecy tribe. Philip of Macedonia opend each brazen gate with Gold, and with rich presents overturnd his rivals Kingdoms. Alexander had always fortune savorable to him. He march'd his Grecian army amongst the Moors of India. But these Heros had been happy, if the sate of Men would allow them to be so: but it doth not tasted deaths hitter draught. Why do Men meddle with such a doubtfull business as war? Are there not sleets, arms, and human bodys ready to engage on both sides? and sate alone decides the victory. Thus when a sedition endeavours to get the better of a bad Ministry, the murderous cry of revenge

the most trisling and wretched works to a Lucretius. O most venerable Man! Pardon I beseech you, these verses, which I composed whilst I was surrounded by your prosound thinking Doctors. May the slowers, the birds, the fish, and the beasts of Sweeden remain samous by yours means!

Ye celestial Inhabitants, expand your portals! Jupiter has called up to heaven the bright planet Linneus, and marked it for his one

o most happy Sage! the threatning thunder of your judgement terrifyes me, whilst I attempt to speak of the different complexions of Men. Bacchus (is sayd) to love the sanguine complexion, and Venus to grant him her myrtle crown. Melancholy Men are sitt for business, to polish arts, and to penetrate the profoundest Sciences. They are also apt to destroy themselves. Phleginatic Persons are proper for cultivating the earth, as well as to wait with patience, till they have decoy'd birds and fish into their netts. The choleric Man will follow Trumpets and drums. The tremendous shouts of engaging armys please him.

Why should I tell you of Finlanders and Lapplanders or the big bodyd Goth? In Lappland they have no theatres glittering with gold, no feasts, no jewells, or fine cloaths, which things produce war, and envy to Mankind. The Lapplanders are ignorant of those

those Laws, which forbid Men doing, what they cannot belp doing; and which order them to do, what they cannot do. For indeed such Laws are worthy to be laughft at. They live amongst woods, and alps. not Orpheus himself could prevail on them to enter roads, rooms, or houses. Careless of same, they cultivate neither Laws, Justice or the Gods: but when they are cold, adore the brightness of the Sun. Whilst they dispise the concave horns of the laborious ox, they feed their swift stags with solid antlers, and lead uncrimnal a pastoral life.

When there was no Gold, then was the Golden Age. What misery and mischief doth the glitter of this yellow metal occasion! Men lived joyful and happy before riches were known; but now they produce perdition to all humain affaires with their magic poison. The bird whilst he is singing in the serene air, as soon as the tempest arises, is hurryd away by the storm: In the like manner doth sate conduct Men where she pleases, and fortune urge them into continual disturbances.

Weak as I am, I advance on the raging Seas, where cliffts arise on all sides on inhospitable shores. Dreadful rocks lay concealed under the soaming waters, and the incautious Mariner is sure to meet with perdition on numberless sands. But at length the wind and waves being abated, we hope soon to salute the sa-

cred walls of the invincible Peter. The borses are now satigued and with the chariot sink into the western Ocean. The charioteer retires to rest, till be can with more satisfaction renew bis course.



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PALACE.

It is not enoughf to have passed the Columns of Hercules, Turky, Egypt, and Greece. We are called to the Dominions of the intrepid Zarina. Part of whose immense and unknown Country extends itself to China: the other part leaving Finland and Sweeden on its right hand, and touching on Poland and Turkish Tartary, descends by the Caspian Sea to Persia. and lastly being desolved in sields of ice and snow, it proceeds as far as the coldest limits of the Globe.

The Russian History contains five remarkable periods. It was founded by Rourick, divided in the reign of Swotapolk, oppressed in that of George, triumphant under Ivan Wasile, and flourishing in that of Peter. These Emperors conquer'd the province of Permian, Yougorian, and the vaste Siberia. Peter the first may be considered as a Creator of the present Empire. He caused the beautiful city of St. Petersburg to be built. The Grecian churches glitter with golden ornaments. Arts and Sciences were recalled by this Prince, who first built a fleet, and roll'd his flag over the Balthic Sea.

We went to Peterbof, which commands a fine prospect over the Finnic Gulph. Here the waters play most magnificently. The H 2 foaming

foaming whirpool drawn downwards by art falls headlong. The loud sounding cataract rages from its bursted caverns. The founs tains rife aloft with their bounding waters, they hang on themselves and produce an endless chaos. A golden Venus, and Water Nymphs play together with the noify Tritons. Various Monsters spout up their collected waters from the deep. A superb Palace built with many columns, receives the foreign Ministers and Counpany. The walls bung with lookinglass cast forth a light reflection, and so do the well wrought cielings. An agreable music is beard: CATHARINE attended by a number of Nobility advances. The refulgent Moon alone triumphs in such majesty, when surrounded by all the radiant Starrs of Heaven. She had a blew garter. a diamond planet glitterd on her breast. Her dress was silver, and adamantine chains bung down from her neck. The Empress wore on her bands and bair jewells of vast value, and was dress'd very becomingly. She spoke to those around her in a gracious manner, and then it was permitted to kiss ber band. The Ministers and Nobles prepare their compliments, and follow the Diadem with expectant eyes. A Company of young Lords and Ladys, dress'd in jewells and rich cloaths performed the ball in this Imperial apartament. A Nobleman approaches and says to me: O Stranger! turn your eyes on this picture. It represents the Empress, dress d as a Cavalier setting on a white borse. She holds a sword in her right band, her hair flows in ringletts down her shoulders, a brillant eye adorns

adorns ber forebead, and the bloom of roses oerspreads ber face.
Russia is now happy and may fortune long be prosperous to our
Empress. Here be ended his discourse.

O ye lips of Celestial Muses, fragrant with elegant verses applicand this conceit; and o you, my dear Apollo! give your appropation, for it is no easy matter to sing of so great a Monarch.



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SARSCOCELLO.

I have begun again, O Russian Apollo! and ye Muses, favor me! for cares are softned by your verse. The harmonious Sisters strike their golden strings, and heavenly voices fill the liquid air. By command of the immortal CATHERINE the horrid Laws of Draco which thirst after human blood, are abolish'd.

Why O Solon! have we not the happyness to see you again in our days? The Earth is crowded with the wicked. In most countrys they extort confession of crimes by force, which is a very uncertain and cruel custom; for those who cannot bear the rack, must speak truth or falsebood, to putt an end to their insufferable torments. An example of which Philotas affords, who was condemn'd to torture by the insensed Alexander, and even when he bad confessed what they required of bin, was nevertheless stoned most barbarously to death. How many unfortunate wretches doth the sword of the executioner dispatch out of the World! I was once present at this execution myself, and was terrifyed at the sceene. The executioner cutt of the malefactors head at one blow, the sword bissing as it passd thro the neck bone; then be held up the head to the people. But the most shocking sight of all came next, (I shudder at the thoughts of it) a frantic girl catchd hold of the blood spouting veins, and to the astonishment of every one, drank



The Wonders of Sarscocello.

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up greedily several cupps of buman gore. lastly the women, children and choiristers closed this sad catastrophe with sacred bymns.

If there was a Country which now retaind part of the Scythian Laws of Zamolxis, with a blind bulleing Rhadamanthus, who conceals in his cunning breast the heart of a vapid fox, and for that reason a Justice; who would ever believe that in this age such folly could exist? Here a citizen might for a shilling be circumvented, or being bought by a large sum, vould easily he shutt up. Perjury would often prevail and leave horrid marks of the seroce errors of those times.

It is borrible, that men who are all brothers, and under the same government of the immortal Gods, should with religious pretences vex and destroy each other. Some persons object not to the stability, but to the eternity of wedlok. For, say they, who can by a present position judge for certainty of a suture one? However, Justinian has settled it so, and was there less discord and more prudence in this state, Justinians Code would be more admirable. But the difficultys of the Law suit not well with Muses, who deligt in softer offerings, and I will tell them of the wonders of Sarscocello, where splendid Temples are erected, where royal pomp abounds, where a whole room is built with sweet smelling amber, and where all the apartments glitter with Gold. The adjacent gardens are much admired. A charier rushes down and soon rises,

rises, it rolls beadlong and mounts directly, a violent impetus conducts it with a sudden fall and great noise. Five times it sleep rapidly over the losty bills, and sive times it descended into deep vallies. The breath is taken away, the eye sight is obscured, and a cold convulsion seizes all the body. Assonished and blind we passed over land and water, and our slying limbs were carried into woods and rooms. In these enchanting Gardens you are also placed on a Canopy, which carrys you of itself alost into a magnificent apartament, the sloor of which opens and a large table rises up, where twenty persons are served without their seing any body.

There has been erected on the Nevs a Palace of Ice. The rays of the Sun made its gelid walls glitter with diamonds and colourd stones. It was built with large square blocks of ice, and joind together by pouring water thereon. The rooms, floors, doors, windows and ceilings were made of ice. The beds, chairs, tables, and all other furniture were the same. Large lights were putt during the night in this transparent house, which had also in different part transparent paintings. Elephants, Dolphins, Men and Trees, all of them made of ice, were placed round this extraordinary structure. And the thickness of ice in the Neva is so great, that she will not in winter bend her stubbom back to the weight of thousands of people, or to the siring of the largest cannon. I could relate many more things, but Poetry is not my only occupation. That much other business to observe.



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Since they claim Liberty, grant them happyness.

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LIVONIAN CHACE.

Farewell pompous Petersburg! We now pass thro Ingria, and the samous City of Narva, where Charles the twelf having defeated the Russians, obtained a bloody victory. It is agreable to see the sine ports of the Balthic at Riga and at Revel. A considerable commerce arises with the English and Dutch in iron, wood, and flax. The Livonian youth has great opportunities to hunt; and if it pleases him to declare war with wild monsters, he calls together at a fixed time his friends, and proceeds the the woody summit of the mountains by break of day.

Apollo and Diana, Protectors of the Chace, be propitious! We are now in the vast forests of Livonia, and I will relate somethings to the bonour of Huntsmen. The old Centaur Chiron first invented Hunting. He taught boys and girls the usage of the javelin and born, and they were pleased at the strange sight of a Centaur. Pan caperd amongst his spears, which being placed in a circle, the Nymphs and Sylvans surrounded with their antic dances, and invaded with this new art the animal creation. Telamon, Theseus, the surious Achilles, Cephalus ravish'd by a Goddess, the swift sooted Atalanta, the pious Archilochus, who sufferd death to preserve his Father, and Meleager were his disciples. The cruel Diomedes and the skillfull Ulysses captors of

Troy, studied also under the old Chiron. Rejoice then ye Hunters! Victory is pleased with peril, and the God of Huntsmen sitts in the brightest part of Heaven. The forest resounds with barking of doggs and the borse trembles at the smell of the wild beasts. The pack of bounds urged on by the sweating hunters rush thro the woods. A great concourse of Huntsmen assemble, whose clamorous noises reach the Sky. Some put to death borrid bears by hurling javelins at them, and some more close to the game, plunge their swords into the blood thirsty heart of the ravenous wolf. There is no animal more dangerous to hunt than a hear; he presses his enemys to death in his raging bosom, and made desperate, tears them in pieces with his teeth, scattering their bowells on the bloody ground. The mournful wolf avoids the combat, he trembles when seized by the doggs, who hite him instantly to death. The old wolves return into the woods at midnight and with frightful howlings mourn for the loss of their cubs.

The Moon is also favorable for the chace. Whilst by night bare's tropp their tender food, Huntsmen with silent steps fix their snares along the tusted grass, and cover with leaves the pitsal for wild beasts. Here also are many fine lakes abounding with sish: but sishing is a languid amusement for a brave Man, who delighteth to bunt the tynx, and the fearful man in the persuit of the mild species of birds. He slies from lynces, and follows the trembling dove. The mountain cock is a princely victim, but difficult of access; except when ensured

by love be sets on a tree, and crows with his eyes close shut. Then the boy shoots, the branches of the trees are broken by his vast weight, the wood resounds with his fall, and he affords a cruel repast. Horrid repast! we eat bodys which belong to the grave, nor is there any pity to be found amongst us.

We enterrd the Kinydom of Prussia at Memel, and Konigsberg is a City which deserves to be much admired. Next received us Danzig whose fortifications boast of never baving been yet subdued, and belong to the desperate Polanders. It is better for weakness to give way at some times to great power, than to break the peace with uncertain arms. Between these two citys the shore is coverd with mountains of sand, and the Traveller is exposed to many dangers. Whilst we were thoughlessly persuaded to travel thro the Sea by night, on a fudden the starrs were totally obscured, the thundering temples of Heaven were opend and the waves dash'd with great violence against the rocks. We then too late regret that we had lefft the habitations of the quiet husbandmen. The horses, surrounded by the Sea, can not persue their road, and the driver in dispair fills the air with foolish imprecations. The well flogged steeds redouble their efforts, and we at last overcome the stormy Main. This long Journey afforded nothing elfe remarkable, and we proceeded to Berlin with much satisfaction. Before the City gates stood Giants glittering in brass, and an Officer surounded the coach with his soldiers. Then the prodigious

actions of the unconquerable FREDERICK come into our mind, which to sing poetic art is unable. None but Apollo Victor himself can celebrate the supremest Triumphs. The shouts of these inimitable Warriors are always Victory! they are ready to loose their blood and lives for this Heavensent MONARCH.

Ye Deitys! who preside over Earth and Sea, over Light and darkness; Ye, who roll down burning lightning from the Sky, and whose thunder strikes terror into the hearts of Men; Ye also, who sett under the bright Starrs by Moonshine, and who with swift pinions take your course thro the air! I conjure You all ever to hear my invocation. Scatter dread and consusting amongst the enemys of England. Auspicious Deitys! remove fell discord from my brave Countrymen, and since they claim Liberty, grant them happyness.



PLAISIRS

POESIE.

PREFACE.

Non obstant l'excellence des Poëtes Anglois, François, Italiens, Espagnols, & Allemands, il se trouve dans la Poësie Latine une harmonie, une correction, & une élegance, que ces langues ne possedent point. D'ailleurs fans l'affistance du rythme, les vers modernes seroient très insipides; & il est inutile d'observer la différence qu'il y a d'avoir l'oreille fatiquée par des monotones, ou de l'avoir amusée avec des sons variés dans une mésure plus noble & plus harmonieuse. Il est absolument nécessaire de comprendre la Poësie pour bien écrire en Prose. La Langue Gréque & Latine s'apprendent au mieux en Angleterre, & leur connoissance donne une élegance du jugement particulière; car les Poëtes Grecs & Latins ont eu une sublimité & un feu superieur à tous les autres Poëtes.

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Sa Vertu a vaincu la Fortune.

VOYAGE EN DANEMARC.

Les couronnes de laurier ne font jamais offertes à la pareffe. Les grands triomphes ne font point decernés à la peur. Que le Diadéme foit donné à celui, qui par fa conftance a vaincu la fortune même. La Vertu n'eft point fixe à aucune Loi ou Païs. Un efprit différent appartient à chaque Nation. Le lion d'Angleterre me donne de la force; les lis dorés de la France font remplis de grace & de beauté; les Higles Romaines avec leurs débats harmonieux m'encouragent à commencer.

Ulysse, ayant paffé par plufieurs pars & malheurs, fut enfin digne de l'éftime de fa patrie. L'illuftre Medecin qui veut être utile au genre humain, explique fon art aux peuples les plus eloignés. Appelles répréfente Venus & Jupiter même dans différentes attitudes, adaptées au gout de divers Nations; & moi ayant écrit en trois langues, je ferai mon poffible pour plaire à Rome, à Londre, & à Paris.

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Le troisième fils de Saturne étoit déja longtems monté sur son throne terrible. Proserpine, très malheureuse Temme d'un pareil Epoux, enclinée sur un lit lugubre, avoit chassé la muit horrible dédans les ombres infernales. Les étoiles s'étoient lentement retirées du Giel, et Venus avoit rappellé sa belle plamete des Gieux. Alors l'Aurore, première et très charmante Déesse du matin, orna l'Olympe avec ses rayons. Le Soleil brilloit dans cette partie du Zodiaque qu'on appelle les Jumeaux; les froides nuages à cette heure étoient dissipés par la chaleur, et le plein jour sit éclater à nos yeux le merveilleux ouvrage de ce monde.

Nous nous lévons et sommes trainés lentement hors de la Ville de Hambourg. En traversant les plaines bien cultivées du Holstein et du Sleswick, on voit la mer. Nous passons les slots écumants du Bels mineur dans une petite barque ressemblante à la jolie coquille de Venus. Icy les terres sont labourées dans le mois de May, le quel ouvrage est déja sini par les Anglois au mois de Nbars. Ayant laissé Assens,

Odenfee, et Nyeborg, une autre barque nous affifte pour traverfer le grand Belt. Le Roi Sciold fixa fon throne dans ces vagues gelées. L'envieux pouvoir de fes Succeffeurs a depuis tenu fermé le Sonde, et le hardi Danois fait payer tribut à la Mer Baltique. Seland eft riche en blés, en bois, et en poiffons. Thébe et Mycéne étoient autrefois dans un état floriffant, et Troye glorieufe de la foule de fes theatres. Mais Thébe et Mycéne ont péri, et les ruines de Troye font meprifées par les Barbares.

De même les belles villes de Tyre et de Babylon font perdues, leur ruines font difficiles à decouvrir.

Roefchilde a été une place confidérable avec de beaux palais, et un grand commerce: mais il n'y refte que de pauvres murailles, et des maifons de bois. De fon exemple les Villes fi fiéres de leur puiffance peuvent observer la ruine subite la quelle arrive si fouvent aux choses les plus elevées. Cependant on y trouve les K 3

fepulchres magnifiques des Rois Danois, les tombeaux de marbre et d'autres, ornés avec metaux font une fuperbe apparence. Ce voyage eft fini, car jobserve de loin la belle Copenhague fituée dans la Mor Arctique.



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Ayant quitté Copenhague et le païs des braves Danois, on voit Helfingöer, qui domine la Mer Baltique. Icy, comme on dit, le phantôme de fon Pére apparut au Prince Hamlet, et dans les jardins voifins fa Mére perfide empoisona le Roi son Epoux. Mais il n'y a point de vestige de cette catastrophe: Un Palais Royal et des fleurs sont à cette heure à voir sur les Ofsements de Hamlet.

Pendant que le Dieu Mars, invoqué sur les rivages de l'Hebre, precipite des milliers d'ames dans le Tartare, et la brave Bellone envoye pour la prémiere sois une flotte Russe dans la Mer Mediterranée; voyez! la cohorte surieuse poignarde les Grecs et détruit leur villes. La Réligion violée est prosternée. Elle démande le secours des Gieux en vain, et de nôtre tems nous n'avons pas entendu parler des peuples plus déplorablement malheureux. Il est à cette heure plus prudent

dent d'admirer en Suéde les montagnes couvertes de bois, les rochers et les abymes. Le chemin est folide dans un terrain pierreux, le génévrier la chêne, le cyprès, et le haut pin repandet de l'odeur dans cos bois immenses. Le pauvre mange du pain fait d'orge melé avec d'écorces des arbres. Dans ce païs il y a peu de monoye, mais les papiérs de Banque, et des grandes piéces de cuivre font en usage. Toy cesse tout, temour pour l'agriculture, et ils battent le fer et le cuivre après les avoir sonou dans des vastes sourneaux. Les collines ne sont point ornées des vignes, le fruit leur manque. Mais la nature a donné aux Suédois, exempts de luxe, la sorce du corps et de l'esprit.

Il y a une place, appellée Torneo, fituée dans l'extremité de la Terre, où le Soleil paroit au dessus de l'Horrison nuit et jour. Car quand il est approché de trés
près de la Mer à l'Occident, on le voit tout de suite
s'élever du coté de l'Orient. Icy on peut voir le commencement de la Terre, et les montagnes de ser luisent partout. Mais quand le mois de Decembre approche

proche, alors les mers, les bois, et les champs font vendu horribles par les triftes aquilons. Le jour eft fans lumière, et les froides ténébres obscurifsent la Ville. Les maisons sont souvent saisies et emportées par les tempétes dans la Mer. Les Tornéens portent des chandelles et des lampes fur eux pour voir leurs ouvrages. Il faut dans ces lieux mêmes craindre les faveurs trop liberales de Venus, le Nord céde peu en amour à l'Orient, et on trouve des Nymphes très chaudes dans ces eaux glacées. Cupidon rit de nos malheurs, et c'eft plûtôt un Démon qu'un Dieu, qui Jonne tant d'amertumes aux humains. Les animaux noirs font blanchis par les vents froids. Les ours, et les loups hurlent alentour des villages, ils dévorent les boeufs, les brebis, et fouvent même leurs pafteurs. Le voyageur, s'il va feul, est en grand danger, et il paffera les nuits fort mal fous ces étoiles glacées.

Stockholm, la ville capitale de la Suede, est encourée des eaux. Les maisons sont bâties au large sur des montagnes. Le vaste épée de Gustare Adolphe eft gardé icy, ces autres armes font trop péfantes pour être rémuées. Plufieurs trophées de Charles douze fon icy montrés. Nous avons regardé fes gands, fes habits, et fa chémife enfanglantée. Une très petit morceau de plomb a exterminé ce Heros, la terreur de l'Europe. Son Ame engloutie par les ombres de l'Enfer tombe rapidement, comme fait un corps péfant dans l'eau; et fes chaftes Offements font confervés dans un tombeau de marbre.

Gonfiderons une peu les Gonquérans. Leur gloire a-t-elle apporté quelque foulagement contre les terrible friffon de leur trépas? car la Mort barbare pourfuit les hommes, comme une Hydre enorme le pauvres brebis. Avec de l'or le Roi Philippe a ouvert des
portes d'acier, et avec ses riches présents il a subjugué
les royaumes de ses rivaux. Alexandre a toujours eu
la fortune savorable. Il sit marcher ses Grecs jusqu'aux Indes. Ges Hercs étoient heureux, si le Déstin des hommes leur permettoit de l'être: mais il ne
le permit pas, car ils ont tous deux gouté l'amertume

Viminueroit fa sphére, la terre ne produiroit plus de la méme maniére ses herbes, ni la mer ne toucheroit plus, ses rivages.

Upfale anciennement étoit la Capitale de l'Empire du Nord, et elle dirigeoit les longues reins du gouver-nement. Aujoud hui c'eft une Univerfité fameuse par le savoir de ses Prosesseurs, et l'éducation des étudians les la Nature avillie étoit plongée dans les ténébres, et la Science déplorablement prosternée. Linneus la sit sortier de son obscurité, et la dévoila, illuminant avec son jugement et avec ses études toute la terre. O L'inneus le je suis entré dans vos portes avec ma muse tremblanter Jenvoye le plus pauvre et miserable ouvrage à un Lucréce. Pardonnez, je vous prie, o Suge venerable seurs desauts, car je les ai composés à la hâte dans la compagnie de vos prosonds Docteurs. Que les sleurs les viseaux, les poissons, et la Faune Suédoise soit toujours célébrée par vos écrits.

Inhabitans celeftes! currez vos temples spatieux.

Jupi:

De faire ce qu'ils ne peuvent point éviter de faire, et les ordonnent de faire ce qu'il est impossible qu'ils fassent. Et vraiment de pareilles Loix sont dignes de moquérie. Ils vivent dans les alpes et les bois. Orpheus même ne Les exciteroit pas d'entrer dans des chemins, des maifons, ou des chambres. Ignorans de la gloire, ils ne cultivent ni Loix, ni Dieux: mais quand ils font froids ils adorent la chaleur du foleil. Ils méprifent la force Du boeuf, aimant mieux leurs rennes, et ils menent une vie pastorale et innocente. Quand il n'y avoit point For, c'étoit le vrais fiécle d'or. Quels malheurs ce metal luifant occasionne! fans lui les hommes étoient heureux; mais il verse un poison magique sur toutes choses. Pen-Vant que l'oiseau chante et se Vivertit Vans l'air, si la tempête commence, c'eft en vain qu'il veut réfifter, il est entrainé par sa force, et obligé de la suivre. Comme celà les hommes font obligés de fuivre leurs déstins, et la Providence les agite dans une continuel tumult.

LES ADIEUX au PALAIS.

Il n'eft pas fuffifant Vavoir paffé les Colonnes VHercule, l'Empire Turque, l'Egypte et la Grece; la Ruffie joyeuse de son intrepide Zarine m'apelle. Une partie de cette immense contrée, (la quelle est encore inconnue) se repand jusqu'aux climats ardents dé la Chine; une autre partie laissant la Suede, et la Finlande à droite et touchant le païs des braves Polonois, et la Tartarie Turque, descende par la Mer Caspienne aux frontières de la Perse, et à la sin étant dissoute dans des champs de neige et de glace, elle procéde au delà des plus froides limites de la Terre.

L'hiftoire Ruffe nous offre cinque periodes remarquables. On dit qu'elle à été fondée fous l'Empire de Rourick, divifée fous celui de Swotapolk, opprimée fous celui de George, triomphante fous celui d'Ivan Wafile, et floriffante fous celui de Pierre. Ges Empereurs ont conquis la Province de Permian, Yougorian, Gafan, et la vafte Siberie. Pierre premier peut être re-

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fonds bien faits produiffent des réflections charmantes Une mufique agréable se fait entendre. CATHERINE sevance lentement entourée d'un grand nombre de coursifans. La Lune seule dans les cieux avec ses étoiles Suminantes triomphe en telle majesté. Elle portoit le vordon bleu, une planete de diamans courroit fa poitrine, son habit étoit argente, et des chaines d'adamants pendoient de son Cou. Les mains et les cheveux de l'Imperatrice étoient ornés avec des joyaux Vune extrême richeffe, et elle étoit bien habillée. Elle parloit gracieusement à ceux alantour Velle, et alors il fut permi de lui baiser la main. Les Ministres et les Nobles préparent leurs doux complimens et fuivent le diadéme avec des yeux ésperans. Pendant que Ves Dames brillantes et Ves Seigneurs richement vétus commencent un bal dans cet apartement Royal, un Noble m'approche et me dit poliment: Vous qui étes étranger, dévriez bien confidérer ce tableau. Il repréfente l'Imperatrice fur un cheval blanc habillée en Chevalier, avec une epée luifante dans sa main. Obfervez

fervez la beauté de ses traits et de ses cheveux flottants sur ses épaules. Ses yeux brillent dans un front serein, et un teint frais orne son visage. Le temps heureux est arrivé à la Russie, et que la fortune de ma benique Maitresse soit toujours propice.

O lévres des Muses celestes, toujours fragrantes en vers polis! approuvez cette idée, et donnez moi, mon cher Apollon, aussi un signe d'approbation! car il est dissible de chanter une si grande Monarque.



SARSCOCELLO.

Ie recommence encore, en suppliant l'Apollon Ruffien et les Muses de m'affister; car les chagrins sont adoucis par la belle Poëfie. Les foeurs celeftes frapent leur cordes dorées, et l'air est tout de suite ramplie de fons vivins. Par les ordres de l'immortelle GATHE-RINE les Loix de Draco avides du fang humain font bannies. Pourquoi O Divine Solon! ne reparroiffez vous point Jans le monde? La Terre fourmille de · méchans. Dans plufieurs pais c'eft encore la coûtume S'extorquer par force la confession des crimes; mais cette méthode est cruëlle et très incertaine; car quand les criminels ne peuvent plus foutenir la torture, ils disent vrais et faux pour s'en délivrer. Philotas con-Vamné à la torture par la colére V Alexandre, est un exemple. Ge malhereux fut lapidé même après qu'il avoit Vit tout ce qu'on exigeoit de lui. L'epée du bourreau Vétruit trop des gens. I ai été temoin de ce trifte spéctacle, et la vûë m'a fait frémir. Le bourreau trancha



Les Prodiges de Sarscocello.

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la tête d'un coup rapide, l'épée en paffant par l'os du cou fit un bruit fourde, et il montra fon ouvrage au peuple. Mais alors j'ai vu la plus exécrable chofe du monde. Une fille defésperée a faisi avec ses mains tremblantes les veines jaillissantes du sang, et elle a bu plusieurs verres de ce liquide humain. Hlors les afsistans et les chanteurs concluérent avec des hymnes savorés cette triste catastrophe.

S'il y avoit à cette heure un pais, où on garde quelques reftes des cruëlles Loix Scythiennes, et un aveugle ivrogne Rhadamanthe avec la fubtilité d'un rénard, et pour cette raifon élû Magiftrat, croiroit on jamais à l'avenir que telles déplorables folies ont exifté dans nôtre temps? Toy un citoyen fera vendu pour peu d'argent, et peutêtre enfermé dans une afreufe prifon, le parjure triomphant donneroit des marques horribles des féroces erreurs de ces fiécles. Tout le monde trouve jufte la ftabilité, mais non pas l'éternité de l'Hymenée. car il eft trop difficile de juger M3

certainement de l'avenir par une présente position.

Tustinien pourtant l'a fait, et s'il y avoit moins de discorde et plus de prudence entre les mariés, ses Loix séroient plus admirables.

Mais ces faits juridiques ne conviennent point aux Mufes; elles aiment des offrandes plus douces, et je chanterai les Prodiges de Sarscocello, où il y a des temples superbes, où une chambre entiere est garnie Vambre odoriférante, et où tous les apartemens luifent avec de l'or. Les jardins voifins font très renommés. Un chariot déscend rapidement, et rémonte de même, roule encore en bas et révient en haut; une force violente le précipite avec une chûte fubite et un grand bruit. Ging fois la machine furmonte des montagnes, et cinq fois elle déscende dans des vallées. On perd l'haleine, la vûë est obscurcie, et une froide convulsion saisit tout le corps. Etonnés et aveugles nous paffames par l'eau et la terre; et nos corps volants font portés dans des bois, et des chambres. Dans ces mêmes jardins enchanteurs on eft porte affis fur un canacanapé en haut dedans un apartement magnifique; mais on ne fçait point comment. On ne voit nul domeftique; mais le parquet s'ouvre de foi même, et une table à vingt couverts fe préfente. On est ferri avec tout ce qu'on démande fans que personne paroit.

Sur la rivière appellée Néva on a fait un Palais de glace. Les rayons du foleil ornent les murailles de diamands et d'autres pierres brillantes de diverfes couleurs. Il fut bâti avec de grandes pièces quarrées de glace, et jointes enfemble avec de l'eau. Les chambres, portes, fenêtres, platfonds, étoient de glace. Les lits, chaifes, tables et meubles tout de même. On plaça pendant la nuit des grandes lumières dans cette maifon transparante. On l'orna auffi avec des tableaux comiques transparants. Des hommes, des arbres, des dauphins, des énormes elephants, tous composés de glace, entourérent ce bâtiment. L'épaiffeur de la glace en hyver dans le Néva est si confidérable, qu'elle ne céde point au poid de milliers d'hom-

Thommes, ni à la décharge de plus grandes pièces de canon. Je pourrois dire encore plufieurs chofes, mais la poëfie feule n'eft point mon affaire, car j'ai d'autres à confidérer.



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La Guerre.

LA CHASSE LIVONIENNE.

Adieu la pompe de Petersbourg! Nous paffons l'Ingrie, et la fameuse forteresse de Narva, où Charles douze a obtenu sur les Russes une sanglante victoire. Nous parcourons avec plaisir les ports de la Mer Baltique. Riga et Revel ont un grand commerce en fer, en lin, et en bois avec les Anglois, et les Hollandois. Le jeune Livonien a beaucoup de chasse. S'il lui plait de saire la guerre aux animaux sauvages, il appelle à un temps nommé ses amis et il les amméne dans la forêt au point du jour.

Apollo et Diane, Dieux des Chaffeurs, foyez propices! Nous fommes dans les forêts Livoniennes, et
je veux parler des honeurs de la Chaffe. Le Centaure Chiron étoit l'inventeur de cet art. Il a enfeigné
la chaffe aux garçons et aux filles, il les a apris l'ufage du javelot, et de la corne fonante. La vûë d'un
Centaure les a fait rire, les Dieux Pan dança entre

fes piques, lesquelles étant placées en cercle, les Nymphes et les Sylvains ant tenu des dances joyeufes, et ont été charmés de favoir comment attaquer avec cet firt nouveau tout le Régne animal. Thefeus, Telamon, le furieux Achille, Cephale ravi par une Deeffe, la légére Atalante, le pieux Archiloque, qui a fauvé fon Pére par fa propre mort, et Néléagre ont été fes disciples. Le cruël Diomede, l'adroit Ulyffe, qui ont pris la ville de Troye, ont tous deux été de l'école de Chiran. Chaffeurs, réjouissez vous! La victoire fuit les périls, et le Dieu des Chaffeurs a une des premières places dans la cour céleste.

Les chiens encouragés par les Cavaliers fe précipitent dans les brouffailles; le bois rétentit de leurs aboyements; le cheval tremble à l'odeur des bêtes feroces. Les chafs feurs accourent de toutes parts, et le tintamare s'etendes jusqu'au ciel. Quelques uns tuent des ours horribles en les jettant de lances, d'autres plus près percent avec leurs épées le cocur fanquinaire du loup. Il n'y a point d'animal plus dangereux à chaffer que l'ours. Il presse

ses ennemis dans ses bras suribonds et en désespoir il les déchire avec ses dents, jettant leurs entrailles sur la terre enfanglantée. Mais le trifte loup évite le combat. Les chiens le trouvent tremblant et il est mordu mort dans un moment. Les louves reviennent à minuit dans les forêts, et avec hurlements horribles elles cherchent leur famille.

La Lune est aufsi favorable pour la chaffe. Pendant la nuit les lievres mangent leur répas delicat. Alors le chaffeur en filence place ses filets; et il couvre avec des feuilles les trébuchets faits pour prendre des bêtes fauvages. Il y a auffi dans ce païs des lacs abondans en poiffon; mais la pêche eft un amufement languifant; la chaffe des loup-cerviers plait au gens courageux, et celle des oifeaux à l'homme timide. Il s'enfuit des loup-cerviers et poursuit la fugitive colombe. Le coque de montagne est une noble victime, mais difficile Vaccès, fi non dans le temps qu'il eft en rut, affis fur la branche d'un arbre, les yeux fermés, le chaffeur le tire; les branches des arbres font rompues par fa chûte, le bois refonne, et il est mangé cruëllement au festin Livonien. Horribles répas! nous mangeons des corps morts; et il n'y a plus de pitié entre les hommes.

Nous entrons la Pruffe par le port de Memel. La très belle ville de Konigsberg nous réçoit, et les fortifications de Danzick en Pologne. Elle se dit vierge n'ayant jamais été encore conquise. C'est mieux selon les temps pour celui qui est soible de céder au plus fort que de détruire la paix d'un Etat avec des armes incertaines. Entre ces deux villes des énormes montaques de fable rendent les rivages affreux, le voyageur est exposé à bien de dangers. Nous avons été assez téméraires de voyager la nuit par cette mer; et tout de fuite les étoiles ont été par de brouillards obscurcies. Le tonnére s'est fait entendre, et les vagues se sont brifées avec violence contre les rochers. C'étoit alors trop tard que nous régrétions d'avoir abandonné la tranquille habitation du pauvre païfan. Les chevaux envelopés par les eaux, ne peuvent plus trouver le chemin. Le cocher remplit l'air des jurements imbecilles. Les chevaux cruëllement foüetés rédoublérent leurs forces et nous tirérent enfin hors de la mer furibonde.

Gette longue route ne fournit rien autre de rémarquable, et nous approchons de Berlin avec plaifir. Pendant que j'observe les foldats gigantesque, qui entourent nôtre caroffe, les Faits prodigieux de l'Invincible FREDERIG se présentent à mes idées. Mais je suis trop foible poëte pour entreprendre de les chanter. C'est l'Apolbon victorieux lui même, qui est seul capable de célébrer ses suprêmes triomphes. Ges Guerriers inimitables chantent Victoire! et ils donneront toujours le sang et la vie pour le Roy de Prusse.

O Dieux de la Terre et des Mers, de la lumiére et des ténébres! Vous, qui roulez en bas les éclairs ardans du ciel, et dont les foudres terribles remplifent de crainte les coeurs des mortels! et Vous Divinités, qui reftés affifes à la luëur de la lune, de fous les étoiles luminantes, et qui prénez votre courfe au travers des cieux avec N 3

des ailes rapides! je vous conjure découter mes priéres, et foyez propices aux armes d'Angleterre. Finiffez entre eux la discorde qui les déchire; et comme ils invoquent la Liberté par leur conftitution, rendez les véritablement heureux!

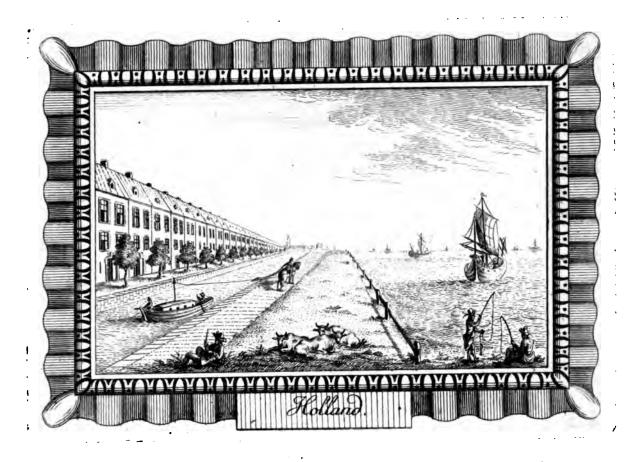


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ENGLOIS ET FRANÇOIS.

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Nor wood, earth, water to these Realms belong: yet the industrious Hollander with sense supplies the want of them. For whilst the astonished mariner admires the shores below the level of the Sea, the grazing berds of cattel feed secure, nor dread, though high above them, mount nous billous roar, to natur's law preposterous. The swelling tides, by human artifice drove back, retire into the deep prosound; and the affrighted monsters of the Main sty, and resign their regions to Mankind. Here noble Cities, Universites, and villages arise, where hostile sleets have sailed and sunk, beneath the Stadthouse ponderous weight anchors of ships, tall masts, and impliments of naval war are found.

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Soon as the luminous orb of day is risen glorious o'er the Schemeling surge, the fishermen prepare their netting on its sandy beach. The ships at Sea press o'er the impetuous gulf for gain. The salls-far off, like shining specks, appear beyond the Ocean in the radiant Sky.

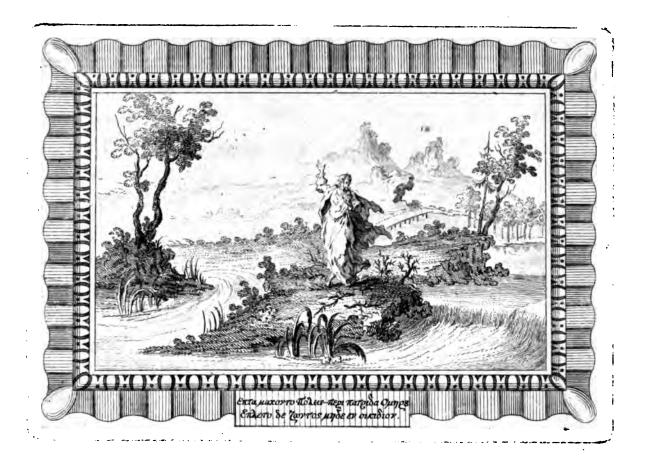
Here treads unburt each friendly stork the seaborn mead, snapping his saffron bill, in praise of hospitality. The long canals, which now with various pleasure boats abound, in winter are with ice shut up from commerce. Yet then whilst the tight air resounds with heat of herses feet, the gaudy sledge slides swift along the solid wave.

Rich labourers inhabit in full safety all the plains; proud courtiers are unknow; despotism is dethroned, and generous Liberty prevails to each sectary secure. Though Monarch's o'er the Globe sound dreadfully to arms, fair Holland yet is blest with abundance, and with peace. The compass is her own; ev'ry commerce doth enrich her inaccessible Domain.

Whilst these pleasures I recount, the Genius of the Earth, where first I drew my breath, admonishes me to end. Its Dictates are supreme, its glory far more dear, than happiness and life.

divine. Saviour of England! Saviour of Bacchus and the Cyprian Queen; omnissuent Ocean propitious prove! Rise up, celestial Goddes, from the deep, turn to fair Albions coast a lovely look, and fix Thy favorite rose all o'er the your Temples on its fertile brow. Brittish Isle is found. Thy myrtles fragrant in its gardens grow. each freeborn swain, each beauteous Nymph, every Science, which our Empire doth adorn, shall greet thee welcome to our feabound All hail gay Bacchus! victorious Venus come! lett Mars the destroyer of Heroic Men be banished to the Euxine Sea, or Sound his trumpet on the Thracian plain. The Turcks, and Russians this barbarous Deity invoke; great Britain, happy in its own extent, from all dissension free shall rule the waves in peace, in plenty, concord and delight. All bail gay Bacchus, victorious Venus come! Father of mirth be with us. T'is you who fill our fouls with joy! Mother of Mankind! t'is you alone preserve our race. Thy name O Goddess! wonn Pharsalias day, and conquerd India once the God of wine. Lett full libations stream along the board, and nuptial rites, emblems of Peace and union be celebrated; till with redoubled strength by wealth and rest increased.

If Foes against our warlike sons combine,
Their conquered country to our Realms we join:
Long England shall Neptunial power display,
The Ocean triumph, and the Earth obey.



It is well known, that the English are by no means patrons of ignorance. The Royal ring, the magnificent equipage, or the glittering robe will not give much bappiness, where worth and wisdom are desicient. Instead then of spending time in wicked and malicious representations of one another, or in insipid conversations, wich end in nothing but noise and disgust; would it not be of more advantage to cultivate the Muses with a Milton, Locke, Pope? and some persons however find fault with the freinds of Apollo, and would sett a greater value on them as Politicians, which is just the reserve of my poor opinion; there being too many already, who follow

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Politicks, which never were agreable to a wife Man, and too often are only the offspring of interest, obstinacy, and superstition. Before we condemn those who cares the Muses at the expence (as it may be thought) of other dutys; we should examine what time they sacrifice to these exchanting Goddesses. We may surely dedicate to them without a crime our leisure hours. I for my part shall never neglect the heautiful Polyhymnia. Her I love much too well, ever to betray for factions incense, or a Court reward. The hours, which many seemingly great Men pass in feasts and Idleness, a most glorious MONARCH now alive makes use of in the composition of Works, which will remain as immortal, as his dreadfull Victorys. The least accident may deprive us of an excellent Man, but nothing can destroy the memory of him; especially if he is a freind of learning and of learned Men.

When valiant Hector sunk beneath the blow, Fame stood attentive to the purple flow.

She weigh'd in ballance all his blood divine,

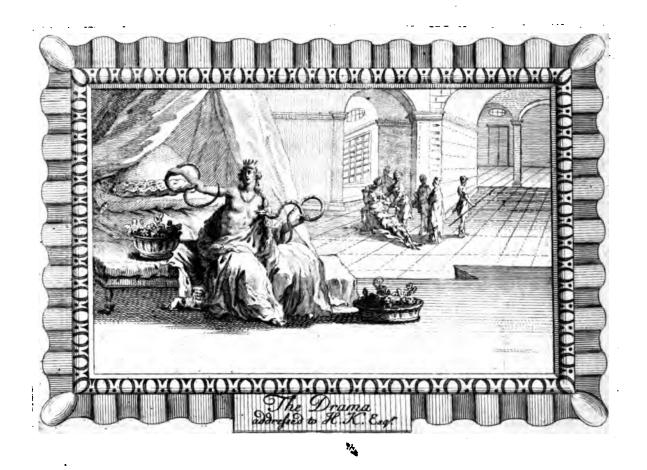
Each dropp preserving from oblivious shrine.



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Within whose walls, as Saxon records say,
A valiant Monarchs murderd Corps doth lay.
Here is no monument, no grave, nor tomb
But o'er his hones the gaudy tulips bloom.
He whose strong forts could curb this furious Main,
Found all his power gainst plotts and poison vain.
From death and ruin what on Earth can be
One moment certain, but by Heavens decree?
Ask then assistance from the will divine,
If God protects us, nought is mans desighn.





You, who have known the Publics sweet applause,
Should still continue to deserve the cause.
Why stopps your pencil, why so loath t'engage,
To paint the portraits of the present age?

New vice, new virtues evry day displays,
Mark well each feature, and enhance our praise,
Of Astors oft in old parts we're tired,
Who in fresh characters are admired.
Attend the distates of your starrs and freind,
10. Nor quitt your talents, till your life shall end.

Study

Study exactly each original o'er,

The Court, the City and the streets explore.

At ev'ry shop coquets abandond roam

And many an hour the coxcomb is from hom.

- And red rosd Momus, with gay chaplets crownd.

 Observe the valet, and the Master's mein,

 Enter the clubroom full of smoke unseen.

 Stop and consider the mob grotesque, where
- 20. Uncestused boxers desp'rate blows prepare.

 Sitt in the tavern, and the taphouse too,

 And drink in bitter purl a health to sue.

 Lett nothing scape deep penetrations Eye,

 A thousand beautys in desormity lye.
- 25. But they require the Masters able band
 To draw, and cost much pains to understand.
 By labour only we remove the moat
 Cloding our senses, which in folly float.
 The Sages of th' Esculapian throng
- 30. Say, Life is short, and Science very long.

 Much wifer Paracelfus doth retort,

 Ignorance is long, th' art of bealing short!

 The Scholar view, whom musics charms inspire,

 To chaunt the chorus, or to strike the lyre.

- 35. Observe his progress, not be sound or lay,

 But by his loss of ign rance how to play?

 Now, Sir! 's your time, to decorate the page

 With painted reason in a peaceful age.

 In Britain Catos, Cleopatras live,
- 40. Readier to dye than slavery receive.

 Lett it be now your practise and your plan,

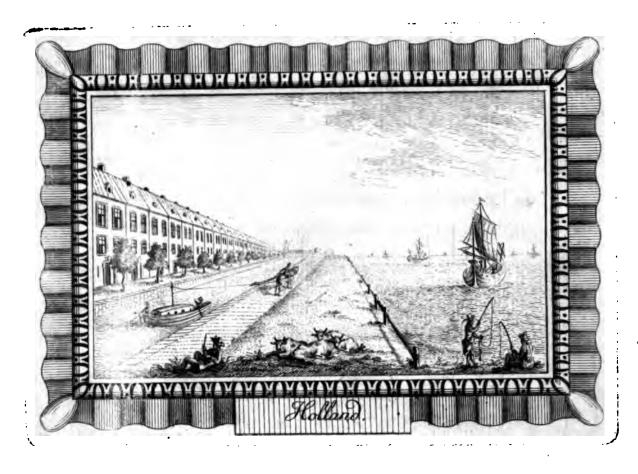
 To trace out nature, and her form to scan.

 The state divulst by discords fatal rage,

 Cent'rys may pass, e'er Britain has a stage.
- 45. E'er the two Muses, Greif and loy between,
 Another Garrick pictur'd forth is seen,
 To mourn, to laughf or thunder in the Scene.
 Th'impatient Courser starting on the mead,
 If encouraged redoubleth his speed.
- Whilft late at night, this subject I persue,

 I'am chill'd all over with Lethean Dew.



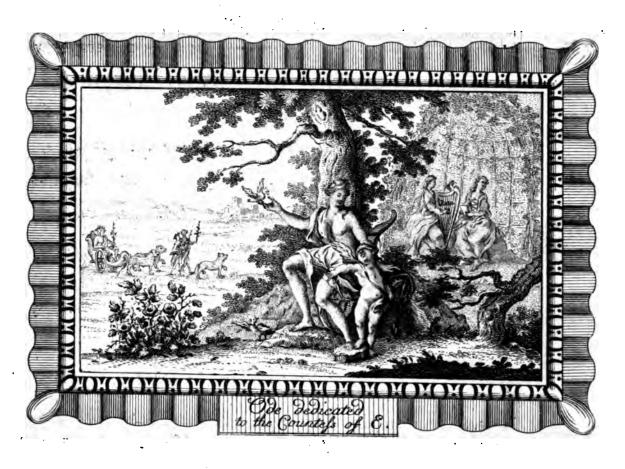


Si la Nature a refusé la terre, l'eau douce et le bois à ce Païs, les Hollandois industrieux ont supplée avec l'art à leur besoins. C'est icy, que le matelot étonné régarde les rivages dessous le niveau de la Mer, contre les loix de la Nature – C'est icy, que les troupeaux mangent l'herbe paisiblement; pendant que les flots, suspendus sur leur têtes, se courroucent et ménacent leur ruine. La marée impetueuse se gomphle en vain,

Des laboureurs fort riches inhabitent ces plaines; les courtifans altiers ne font point icy connus; le déspotisme dethroné la liberté fleurit. Que les Monarques belliqueux fonnent cruëllement aux armes; la Hollande vivera dans l'abondonce et la paix. Le compas l'appartienne. Ses ordres font portés aux confines de ce Globe.

Jusqu'icy j'ai conté tranquillement mes plaifirs: le Génie de la Terre de ma Patrie très heureuse m'avertit de finir. Son pouvoir est suprême, sa gloire m'est bien plus chaire que les plaisirs et la vie.





Les Deftins nous conduifent quand et où ils veulent. Il cette heure (ennemie du froid) je porte mes pas à des païs aprochans Greenlande. Idieu Nymphes de ces prés humides! Idieu Scheweling! où fouvent exposé au vent et au froid, j'ai respiré le Zephyr falutaire de la mer; je n'entendrai plus le bruit sourd de tes vagues, nous serons bientôt à la vûë terrible de la Mer du Nord, où les tourbillons impetueux renversent les Vaisseaux, brisés

brisés dans l'air. Déja un vent surieux a possé nôtre barque rapide au travers de l'Elbe, vîte comme une hirondelle vole au bord de l'eau, où les colombes éffrayées, fendent la voute azurée. O Angleterre, la Gloire de Neptune! le Séjour de la Sagesse! Chez toi (on Vit) refide la divine Liberté: Sauveur de la Grande Bretagne! Sauveur de Bacchus, et la Reine de Cypre; Mers tout puiffantes foyez propices! Eleve toi, celefte Deeffe, fur les flots; tourne vers l'Albion un doux régard, et place tes Temples fur fes champs benigns. Ta fleur favorite la rose se trouve par tout dans notre Isle; tes myrtes fragrantes croiffent en abondance Jans nos jardins. Châque libre berger, châque belle bergére, toutes les Sciences les quelles adornent nôtre Empire, feliciteront vôtre arrivée. Chantons à Bacchus! Chantons des Paeans a Venus! que Mars l'exterminateur de nôtre race, fe rétire aux rivages ou Pont Euxine, ou qu'il sonne sa trompette sur les plaines de Thrace. Les Ruffes et les Turques invoquent ce Dieu barbare; mais l'Angleterre contente de la grandeur

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